I'M PROF. PATTON. THIS IS PROF. KELLY. WE'RE AN ANTHROPOLOGICAL EXPEDITION.
HOW IT ALL BEGAN-A FEW YEARS AGO-
MIND SPELLIN' THAT?

ER-A-N-T--OH, NEVER MIND! WE'RE LOOKING FOR THE 'GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT.'
WHAT FER?

WE BELIEVE THAT THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO GIANT MEN LIVED THERE. WE WANT TO FIND THEIR REMAINS.
OH-BONE HUNTERS.
WILSON McCOY 5-21

MIGHT HAVE A HARD TIME GETTING YOUR BOYS TO GO THERE. IT'S TABOO. ALSO, IT'S OLD HEAD-HUNTER COUNTRY.
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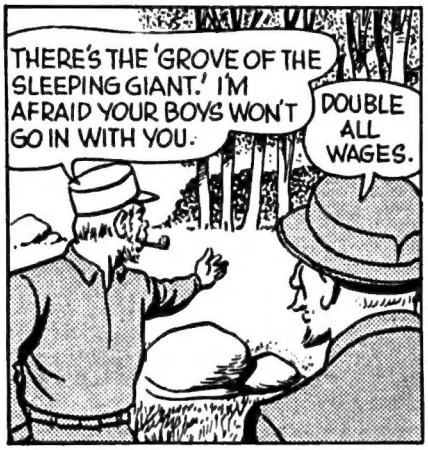
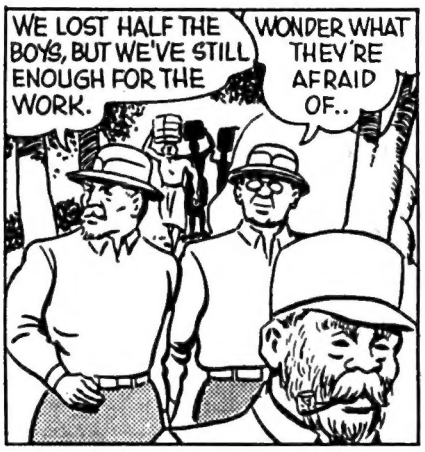
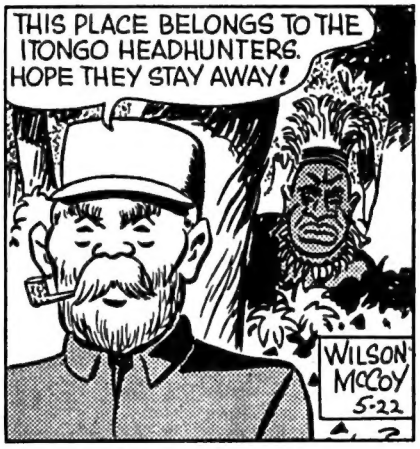

THERE'S THE 'GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT.' I'M AFRAID YOUR BOYS WON'T GO IN WITH YOU.
DOUBLE ALL WAGES.

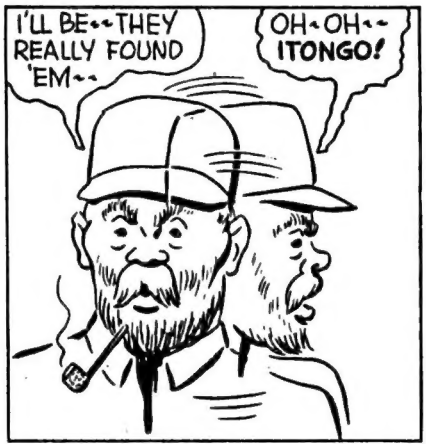

WE LOST HALF THE BOYS, BUT WE'VE STILL ENOUGH FOR THE WORK.
WONDER WHAT THEY'RE AFRAID OF..

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO FIND?
BONES AND RELICS OF THE BRONZE AGE~ THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO~OF A GIANT RACE.


THIS PLACE BELONGS TO THE ITONGO HEADHUNTERS. HOPE THEY STAY AWAY!
WILSON McCOY 5-22

FOUND ANY GIANT BONES YET?
NOT YET. SOMETIMES TAKES WEEKS OR MONTHS.
PATTON!

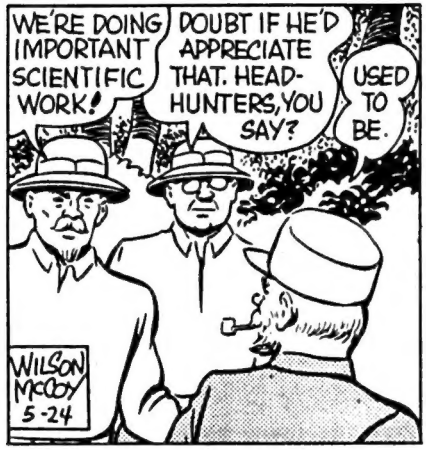
LOOK~ BRONZE HELMET~ THOSE BONES~LOOK AT THE SIZE - MUST HAVE BEEN TEN FEET TALL!
THIS IS IT---THE ANCIENT GIANT RACE!


I'LL BE--THEY REALLY FOUND 'EM--
OH-OH-- ITONGO!

WILSON McCOY 5-23

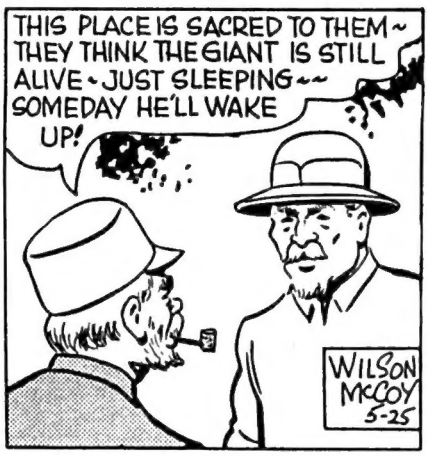
WHAT'S THIS?
ITONGO. USED TO BE HEAD-HUNTERS. I WAS AFRAID OF THIS. LET ME HANDLE IT.

WHY ARE STRANGERS VIOLATING SACRED GROVE OF GIANT?
HE WANTS TO KNOW WHY YOU'RE HERE. GOT A GOOD ANSWER?


WE'RE DOING IMPORTANT SCIENTIFIC WORK!
DOUBT IF HE'D APPRECIATE THAT. HEAD-HUNTERS, YOU SAY?
USED TO BE.
WILSON McCOY 5-24

ER~THEY SEARCH FOR GOLD.
YOU LIE! THEY SEARCH FOR SLEEPING GIANT!
HOPE IT'S REALLY "USED TO BE"

TRUTH IS, CHIEF, THEY'RE SEARCHING FOR BONES OF AN OLD GIANT RACE!
THEY FOUND THEM~~THE SLEEPING GIANT!

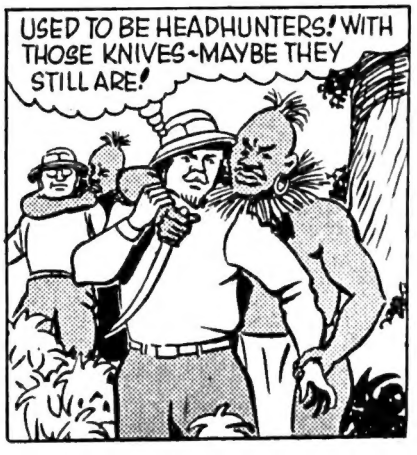

THIS PLACE IS SACRED TO THEM~ THEY THINK THE GIANT IS STILL ALIVE~JUST SLEEPING~~ SOMEDAY HE'LL WAKE UP!
WILSON McCOY 5-25

HE SAYS~ CANNOT TAKE BONES~GIANT NOT DEAD~ ASLEEP.
HOW CAN HE STILL BE ALIVE IF HE'S ONLY BONES? THAT'S NOT LOGICAL!
IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE LOGICAL~WITH A BATTLE-AXE!

WILSON McCOY 5-26
HE SAYS GET OUT.

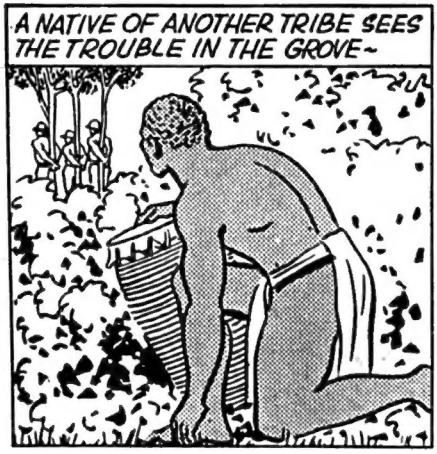
NOT ON YOUR LIFE!
OUR MUSEUM'S SPENT A FORTUNE TO SEND US HERE. WE'VE TRAVELED HALFWAY AROUND THE EARTH!

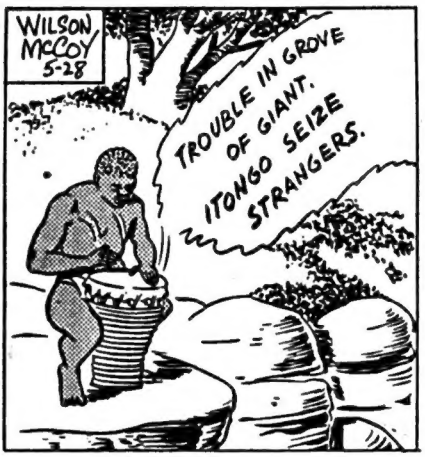
WE'RE NOT GOING TO LEAVE THIS DISCOVERY BECAUSE OF A NATIVE SUPERSTITION!
CAREFUL, SIR. THESE ARE TOUGH BOYS!


USED TO BE HEADHUNTERS! WITH THOSE KNIVES~MAYBE THEY STILL ARE!

WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO WITH US?
THEY'RE ANGRY~ HAVEN'T DECIDED ~SOME WANT OUR HEADS!

YOU SAID "THEY USED TO BE HEADHUNTERS." WHAT STOPPED THEM?
THE PHANTOM.
THE WHAT?


A NATIVE OF ANOTHER TRIBE SEES THE TROUBLE IN THE GROVE~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TROUBLE IN GROVE OF GIANT. ITONGO SEIZE STRANGERS.

TROUBLE IN GROVE OF GIANTS.... ITONGO SEIZE STRANGERS....
WILSON McCOY 5-29

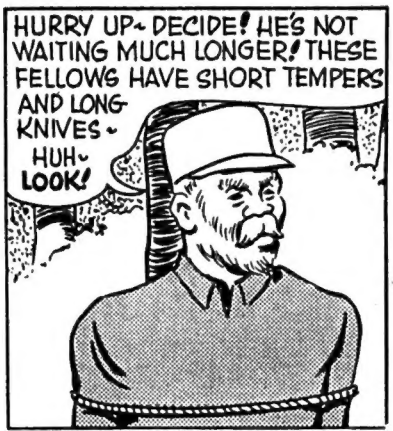
THE DRUMMER IS STOPPED BY AN ITONGO WARRIOR~
!

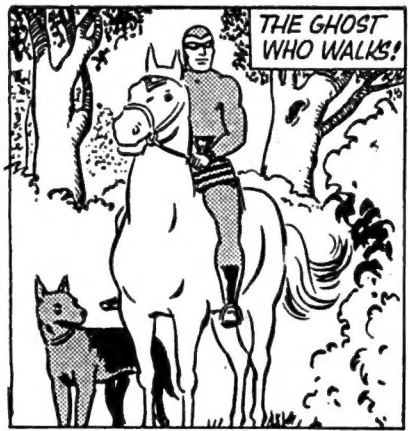
BUT THE MESSAGE IS OUT~~ RELAYED AGAIN AND AGAIN~~
TROUBLE IN GROVE OF GIANTS.. ITONGO SEIZE STRANGERS...

~INTO THE DEEP WOODS~ TO THE FABULOUS SKULL THRONE~~!
GIANTS... ITONGO SEIZE STRANGERS

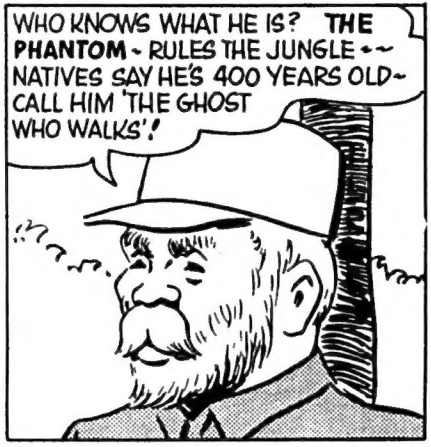
WILSON McCOY 5-30
CHIEF SAYS IF YOU PROMISE NOT TO DISTURB SLEEPING GIANT AND GO, HE'LL FREE US.

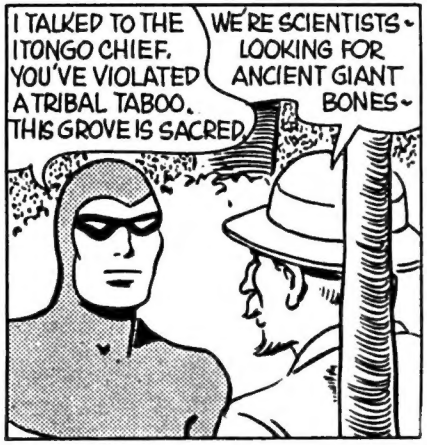
BUT THE GIANT ISN'T SLEEPING! HE'S DEAD. JUST BONES!
LOOK~YOU WANT TO WIN THE ARGUMENT AND LOSE YOUR HEAD~ OR VICE VERSA?


HURRY UP~ DECIDE! HE'S NOT WAITING MUCH LONGER! THESE FELLOWS HAVE SHORT TEMPERS AND LONG KNIVES~ HUH~ LOOK!


THE GHOST WHO WALKS!

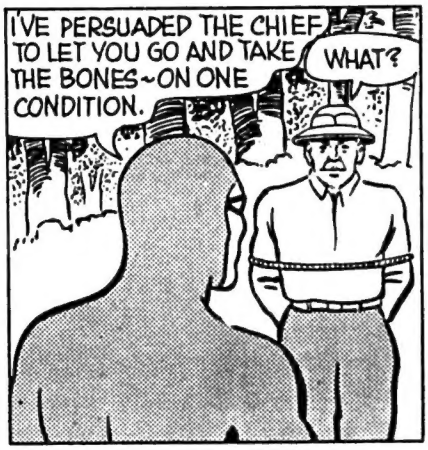
WHO IS THAT?
MIGOSH~ I'VE HEARD OF HIM ALL MY LIFE ~NEVER SAW HIM BEFORE ~NEVER BELIEVED HE WAS REAL.


WHO KNOWS WHAT HE IS? THE PHANTOM ~ RULES THE JUNGLE ~~ NATIVES SAY HE'S 400 YEARS OLD~ CALL HIM 'THE GHOST WHO WALKS'!


I TALKED TO THE ITONGO CHIEF. YOU'VE VIOLATED A TRIBAL TABOO. THIS GROVE IS SACRED.
WE'RE SCIENTISTS ~ LOOKING FOR ANCIENT GIANT BONES~

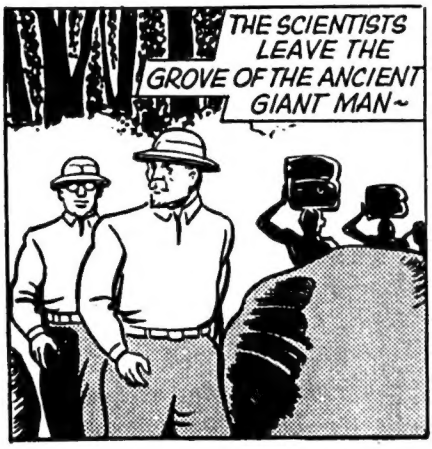
WHICH YOU FOUND. HMM~~
NOW, WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT THIS?
WILSON McCOY 5-31

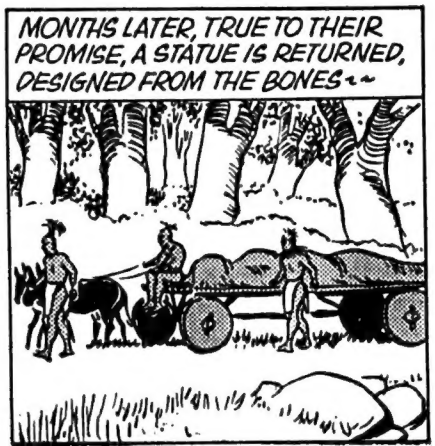
WHAT ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?
HOW DO I KNOW?
WILSON McCOY 6-1


I'VE PERSUADED THE CHIEF TO LET YOU GO AND TAKE THE BONES~ON ONE CONDITION.
WHAT?

IN YOUR MUSEUMS YOU RECONSTRUCT FIGURES FROM BONES. MAKE SUCH A STATUE FOR HIM AND SEND IT HERE. IT'S EITHER THAT OR~

~I MIGHT HAVE SOME TROUBLE KEEPING YOUR HEADS FOR YOU.
ER~ IT'S NOT A DIFFICULT DECISION TO MAKE. WE AGREE!


THE SCIENTISTS LEAVE THE GROVE OF THE ANCIENT GIANT MAN~


MONTHS LATER, TRUE TO THEIR PROMISE, A STATUE IS RETURNED, DESIGNED FROM THE BONES~~

"THE SLEEPING GIANT!" NOW THE GROVE BECOMES MORE TABOO~~ MORE DREADED~

ONE DAY A MAN WANDERS INTO THE GROVE~
DIAMOND CLAY~ IF I EVER SAW IT!
WILSON McCOY 6-2

DIAMOND CLAY-- THE REAL STUFF! AH- HERE'S A STONE NEAR THE SURFACE.

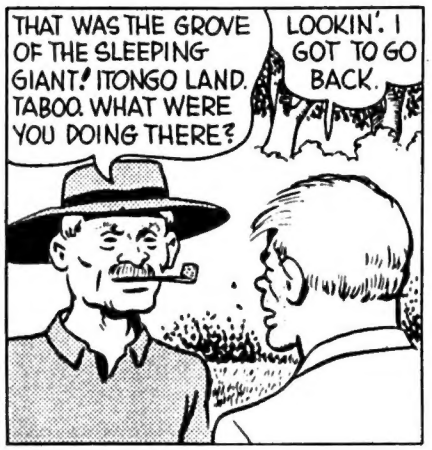
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THE GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT?
HUH- I WISH I KNEW THIS LINGO-

TABOO!
?! WHAT'S HE TALKIN' ABOUT? WHAT'S THAT?

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S SAYIN'- BUT I KNOW WHAT HE MEANS! GET OUT FAST!
WILSON MCCOY 6-4

SAY- I WAS BACK THERE IN THE WOODS LOOKIN' AROUND- AND SOME NATIVE CHASED ME- AND I SAW THAT THING-
TRADER ED.

"IT ALMOST LOOKED ALIVE--IT WAS A BIG STATUE STANDING THERE!"
WILSON MCCOY 6-5


THAT WAS THE GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT! ITONGO LAND. TABOO. WHAT WERE YOU DOING THERE?
LOOKIN'. I GOT TO GO BACK.

NOT IF YOU VALUE YOUR LIFE. THEY WARNED YOU AWAY ONCE. NEXT TIME THEY'LL KILL YOU.
ALL THOSE DIAMONDS SITTIN' THERE!

I WAS PROSPECTIN' DIDN'T KNOW I WAS IN THAT GROVE.
NOW THAT YOU KNOW, DON'T GO BACK- OR THEY'LL FINISH YOU.

PLACE WAS ALWAYS TABOO! SINCE THOSE MUSEUM FELLAS MADE THAT STATUE, THE ITONGO ARE SURER THAN EVER THE GIANT'LL WAKE UP.
TRADER ED

SILLY TALK- THEY BELIEVE A STATUE'LL WAKE UP?
YOU THINK IT'S SILLY. THEY'RE EX-HEAD-HUNTERS. WANT TO ARGUE WITH THEM?

OF ALL THE PLACES IN THE JUNGLE- THAT DIAMOND CLAY'S GOTTA BE THERE!
I GOT TO GO BACK! I'LL FIGURE A WAY!
WILSON MCCOY 6-6

ROUGH DIAMOND CLAY WAS FULL OF 'EM ~ JUST PICK 'EM UP~
TABOO! GOTTA BE A SLEEPING GIANT ~ RIGHT THERE!

HEY, JOE, STOP TALKIN' TO YOURSELF. YOU BEEN IN THE WOODS TOO LONG. COME WITH ME.
AW~

NEW CARNIVAL IN TOWN. COME ALONG.
NAW ~ DON'T FEEL LIKE IT.
ALL THOSE DIAMONDS ~

WORLD-WIDE CARNIVAL
SEE THE IDAHO GIANT
WORLD'S TALLEST MAN
WILSON McCOY 6-7
!?

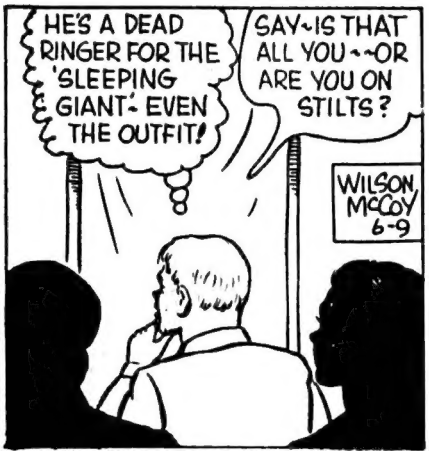
WORLD WIDE CARNI
COME ON ~ LET'S GO IN~
WHAT CHANGED YOUR MIND SO FAST, JOE?
IDAH GIANT
WORLD'S TALLEST MAN

THE BIG TENT'S THIS WAY.
GO AHEAD. I'M GOING TO THE SIDE SHOW!

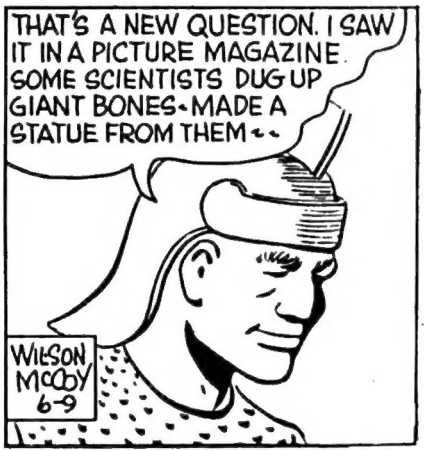
ONLY TWENTY-FIVE CENTS TO SEE THE WORLD'S TALLEST MAN. COME THIS WAY.
See the WORLD'S TALLEST MAN

POST-CARD PICTURES OF ME ~ TEN CENTS EACH ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT ME?
WILSON McCOY 6-8
!

HERE HE IS, FOLKS ~ THE WORLD'S TALLEST MAN!


HE'S A DEAD RINGER FOR THE 'SLEEPING GIANT'~ EVEN THE OUTFIT!
SAY ~ IS THAT ALL YOU ~ ~ OR ARE YOU ON STILTS?
WILSON McCOY 6-9

ALL FOLKS ASK THAT. FEEL THAT LEG. REAL?
YEAH! WHERE'D YOU GET THAT OUT-FIT?


THAT'S A NEW QUESTION. I SAW IT IN A PICTURE MAGAZINE. SOME SCIENTISTS DUG UP GIANT BONES ~ MADE A STATUE FROM THEM ~ ~
WILSON McCOY 6-9

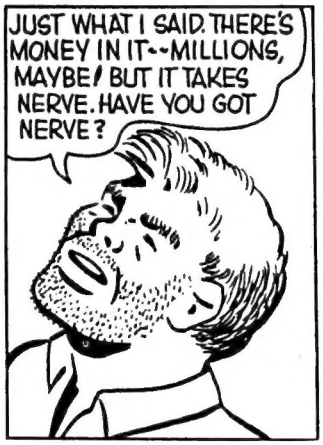
YOU GOT THE IDEA FOR YOUR COSTUME FROM A MAGAZINE PICTURE? STILL GOT THE MAGAZINE?
YES, HERE

SCIENTISTS RECONSTRUCT FIGURE FROM ANCIENT GIANT BONES BELIEVED TO BE LOST RACE OF DIKII ABOR.

WHAT'S SO FUNNY ABOUT THAT? I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE SIDE SHOW. GOODBYE--
WILSON McCOY 6-11

IF YOU ONLY KNEW HOW FUNNY!
NOT GOODBYE. YOU'RE GOING TO SEE A LOT OF ME, IDAHO. WE'RE GOING TO BE PARTNERS!

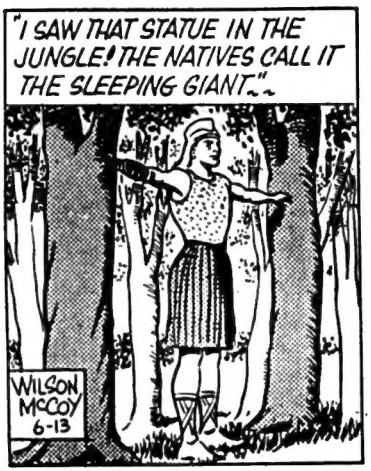
SAY- YOU ARE BIG!
TALLEST MAN IN THE WORLD! NOW- WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT US BEING PARTNERS?
WILSON McCOY 6-12


JUST WHAT I SAID. THERE'S MONEY IN IT--MILLIONS, MAYBE! BUT IT TAKES NERVE. HAVE YOU GOT NERVE?

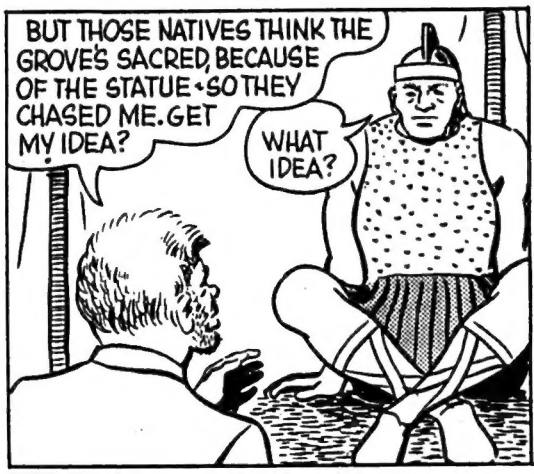
ME? I'M TEN FEET TALL!
NOT TOO BIG TO BE CHOPPED DOWN BY HEAD-HUNTERS.

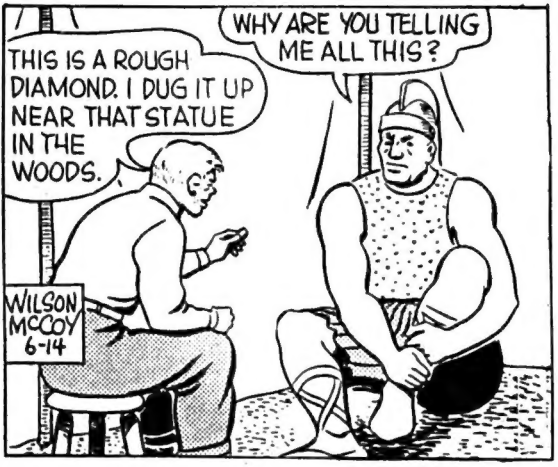
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
YOU'RE TOO HIGH UP. SIT DOWN SO I DON'T HAVE TO SHOUT- AND I'LL TELL YOU.

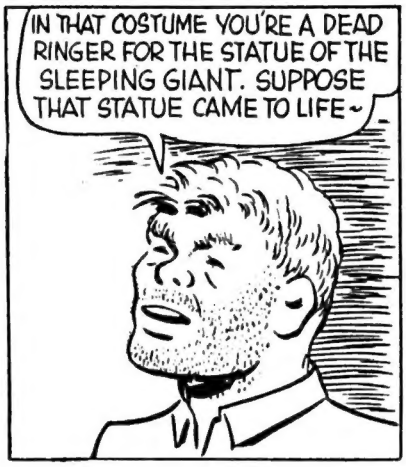
THIS PHOTO OF THE STATUE GAVE YOU THE IDEA FOR YOUR COSTUME--
-AND YOU GAVE ME AN IDEA!


"I SAW THAT STATUE IN THE JUNGLE! THE NATIVES CALL IT THE SLEEPING GIANT."--
WILSON McCOY 6-13

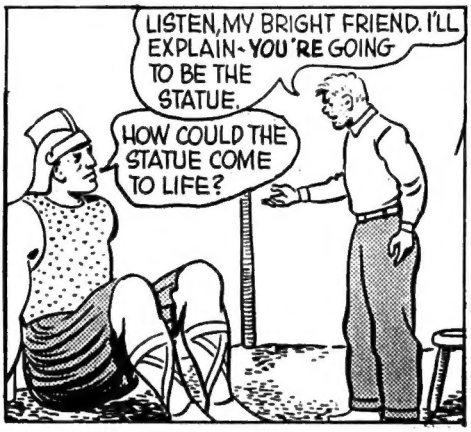
NEAR THAT STATUE I FOUND DIAMOND CLAY CHOCK-FULL OF STONES!

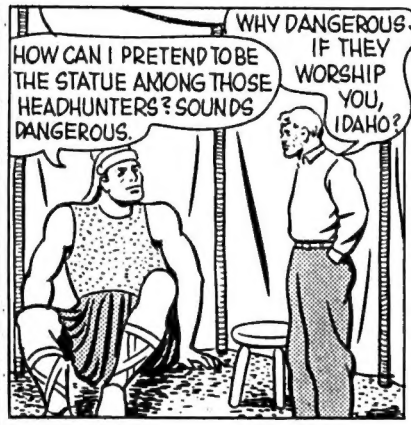

BUT THOSE NATIVES THINK THE GROVE'S SACRED, BECAUSE OF THE STATUE- SO THEY CHASED ME. GET MY IDEA?
WHAT IDEA?


THIS IS A ROUGH DIAMOND. I DUG IT UP NEAR THAT STATUE IN THE WOODS.
WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME ALL THIS?
WILSON McCOY 6-14


IN THAT COSTUME YOU'RE A DEAD RINGER FOR THE STATUE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT. SUPPOSE THAT STATUE CAME TO LIFE~

~AND PROTECTED ME FROM THE HEAD-HUNTERS SO I COULD DIG UP THOSE DIAMONDS!


LISTEN, MY BRIGHT FRIEND. I'LL EXPLAIN~ YOU'RE GOING TO BE THE STATUE.
HOW COULD THE STATUE COME TO LIFE?


HOW CAN I PRETEND TO BE THE STATUE AMONG THOSE HEADHUNTERS? SOUNDS DANGEROUS.
WHY DANGEROUS~ IF THEY WORSHIP YOU, IDAHO?

I DON'T KNOW THEIR LANGUAGE
DON'T HAVE TO. YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN DEAD A FEW THOUSAND YEARS. LINGO CHANGES.
WILSON McCOY 6-15

THEY MIGHT WANT TO FIGHT~~
A GUY THEY WORSHIP? BESIDES, WHO'D WANT TO FIGHT ANYBODY AS BIG AS YOU?

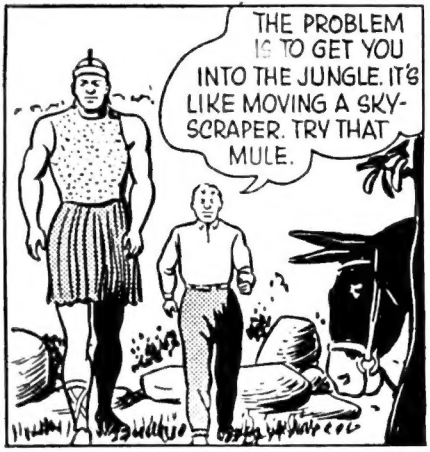
EVERYONE'S AFRAID OF ME BECAUSE I'M SO BIG. IF THEY ONLY KNEW! SHOULD I TELL HIM? NO~~
WHAT IS IDAHO'S SECRET?

REMEMBER, IDAHO, IF WE DO THIS RIGHT, WE'LL SPLIT MILLIONS IN DIAMONDS.
I'LL DO IT. I'D BETTER SEE THE BOSS.

QUIT THE CARNIVAL? YOU CAN'T, IDAHO~ YOU'VE GOT A CONTRACT WITH ME.
FORGET THE CONTRACT. I'M LEAVING.

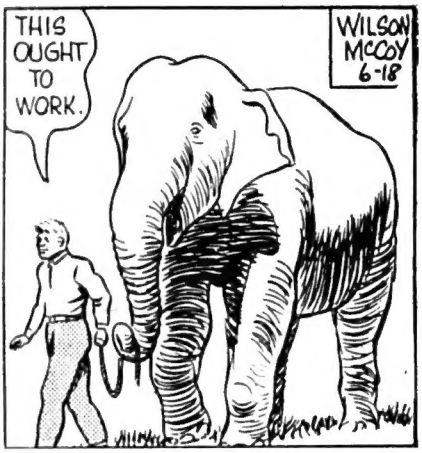
OKAY?
WILSON McCOY 6-16
(GULP)~ OKAY~

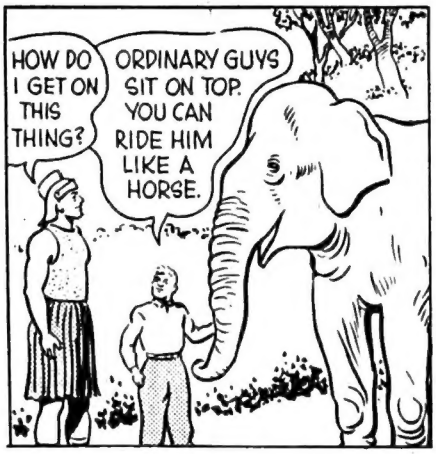
HE'S AFRAID OF ME~ THEY ALL ARE. IF THEY ONLY KNEW MY SECRET~~


THE PROBLEM IS TO GET YOU INTO THE JUNGLE. IT'S LIKE MOVING A SKY-SCRAPER. TRY THAT MULE.

NO - THAT WON'T WORK. WAIT HERE.

YOU WANT TO RENT OR BUY?
BUY - ONE THAT'S GENTLE, OBEYS AND IS HARMLESS.
ANIMALS BOUGHT - RENTED SOLD


THIS OUGHT TO WORK.
WILSON McCOY 6-18


HOW DO I GET ON THIS THING?
ORDINARY GUYS SIT ON TOP. YOU CAN RIDE HIM LIKE A HORSE.

WHAT'S THE IDEA OF THE TENT?
GOT TO KEEP YOU COVERED SO NOBODY'LL SEE YOU.

WE'VE GOT A LONG WAY TO GO. WE'LL SLEEP BY DAY AND TRAVEL AT NIGHT.
IT'S HOT UNDER HERE. AND I NEED SOME AIRHOLES SO I CAN BREATHE RIGHT!
WILSON McCOY 6-19

BY DAY, THEY HIDE IN THE BRUSH.
IT'S LUCKY WE HAVEN'T RUN INTO ANY-BODY YET.
I'VE KEPT US AWAY FROM THE VILLAGES.
NATIVES DON'T TRAVEL AT NIGHT.

I'D QUIT THIS CRAZY THING RIGHT NOW IF IT WASN'T FOR ALL THOSE DIAMONDS.

I'M GETTING KINDA NERVOUS, THE CLOSER WE GET.
DON'T WORRY. IT'LL BE A CINCH!

AHEAD - THEIR GOAL - THE MYSTERIOUS SACRED GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT.
WILSON McCOY 6-20

WE'RE CLOSE ENOUGH NOW. WE'LL WALK FROM HERE.
WHEW~I'M GLAD TO GET OUT FROM UNDER THIS TENT!

WE DON'T NEED YOU ANY MORE, PAL. TAKE OFF. YOU'RE FREE!

BE AS QUIET AS YOU CAN! THIS IS THE HEADHUNTER LAND. THEY MUSTN'T SEE US!

THE GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT!
WILSON McCOY 6-21
SHHH

NOBODY'S HERE AT NIGHT. WE'RE OKAY, IDAHO.
GEE ~ THAT STATUE LOOKS JUST LIKE ME!

I DON'T GET YOUR PLAN. FIRST, WE BURY THE STATUE~
THAT'S RIGHT~ KEEP DIGGING.
WILSON McCOY 6-22

HEAVY!
YEAH ~ NOW HURRY~~ COVER IT UP GOOD.

~WHY ARE WE DOING THIS, JOE?
I'VE TOLD YOU A DOZEN TIMES. KEEP SAWING ~ AND I'LL EXPLAIN AGAIN~

THAT'S ENOUGH. THAT TAKES CARE OF TREE NUMBER TWO.
NOW WHAT? IT'S GETTING LIGHT~

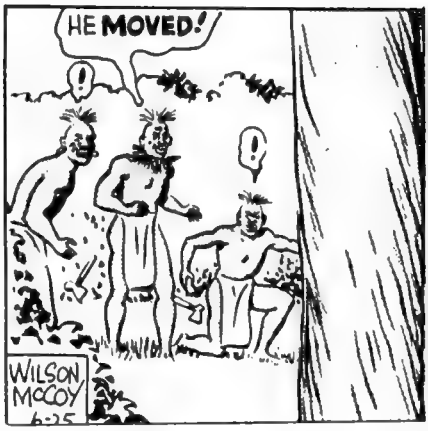
THEY WON'T BE HERE BEFORE DAWN. NOW TAKE YOUR PLACE AND REMEMBER EVERYTHING I TOLD YOU~~

RAISE YOUR ARMS JUST A LITTLE~~ WHOA ~ THAT'S IT.
HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO STAY LIKE THIS?
WILSON McCOY 6-23

UNTIL THE HEAD-HUNTERS COME

JOE, I'M TIRED OF STANDING LIKE THIS.
SHH~THEY'RE COMING! REMEMBER EVERYTHING I TOLD YOU TO DO. I'LL HIDE.

THE ITONGO, EX-HEAD-HUNTERS, ENTER THE SACRED GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT.


HE MOVED!
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WILSON McCOY 6-25

THE SLEEPING GIANT MOVED~~ HE WOKE UP!
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THAT'S IT~GOING FINE~~ NOW YOUR HAND BACK TO THE TREE AGAIN~~HE REMEMBERED! NOW!

WILSON McCOY 6-26
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THE GREAT TREES CRASH TO THE GROUND.

THE SLEEPING GIANT IS AWAKE~ HE PUSHED OVER MIGHTY TREES~AS THOUGH THEY WERE STRAW~
TELL THE CHIEF!

~WE ALL SAW IT!
HE LIVES~THE TREES ARE DOWN! NO MAN~ NOT A HUNDRED MEN COULD DO IT!

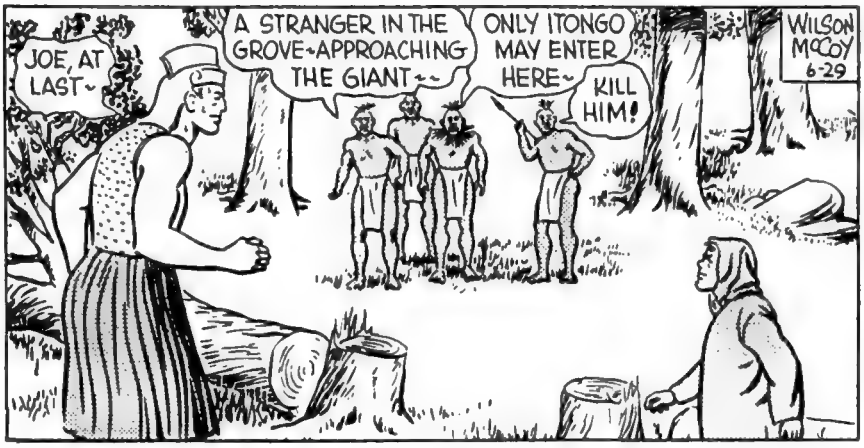
JOE~JOE~WHERE ARE YOU? WHAT DO I DO NOW?
WILSON McCOY 6-27

WILSON McCOY 6-28
SLEEPING GIANT AWAKE IN GROVE

SLEEPING GIANT AWAKE IN GROVE

THEY'RE EXPECTING ME TO DO SOMETHING ELSE - THAT'S ALL WE REHEARSED! WHERE'S JOE?

WORKED PERFECTLY SO FAR! NOW FOR MY APPEARANCE. I'VE GOT THIS COSTUME SO I WON'T LOOK LIKE AN ORDINARY GUY.


JOE, AT LAST~
A STRANGER IN THE GROVE~APPROACHING THE GIANT~~
ONLY ITONGO MAY ENTER HERE~
KILL HIM!
WILSON McCOY 6-29

WAIT~HE IS THE FRIEND OF THE GIANT~

I ALONE SPEAK THE DEAD LANGUAGE OF THE GIANT. WHO UNDERSTANDS ME?
I ~~ I DO. I WORKED ON THE COAST~ (GULP~)

ITZY-BITZY TIT-TAT-TOE
RAZZLE~DAZZLE ZISS~BOOM-BAH~

THE GIANT SAYS, "YOU WILL OBEY MY WORDS AND DO AS I SAY."
WE HEAR AND OBEY.
WILSON McCOY 6-30

FIRST, YOU WILL BUILD A HOUSE HERE FOR THE GIANT. KEEP ALL STRANGERS AWAY.
WE HEAR AND OBEY.

IN THE SACRED GROVE OF THE ITONGO, THE SLEEPING GIANT IS AWAKE! HE LIVES!
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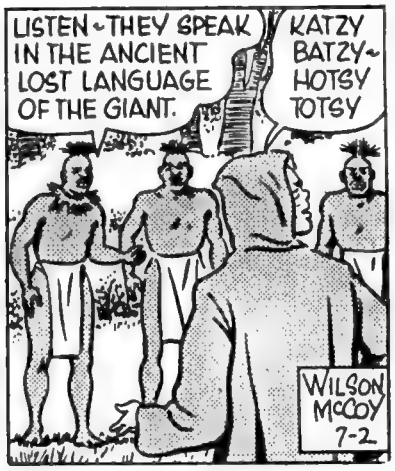
GURAN, HAVE YOU TALKED TO ANYONE WHO SAW THE SLEEPING GIANT MOVE?
NO - IT WAS A MESSAGE BY TOM-TOM.

THE GIANT IS A STATUE MADE BY MEN FROM THE MUSEUM. YOU MUST NOT HEED SILLY JUNGLE TALK.

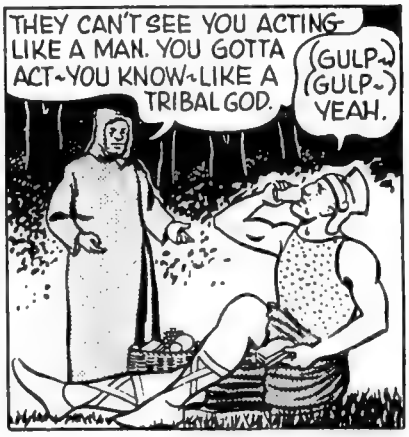
JOE, I'M HUNGRY -
SHH - STICK TO DOUBLE-TALK UNTIL WE'RE ALONE. ITZY-BITZY WACKY HACKENSACKY - -

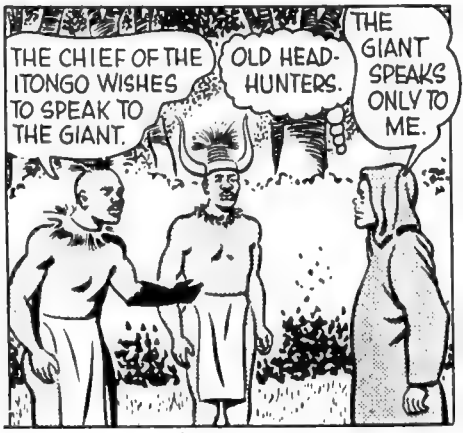

LISTEN - THEY SPEAK IN THE ANCIENT LOST LANGUAGE OF THE GIANT.
KATZY BATZY - HOTSY TOTSY
WILSON McCOY 7-2

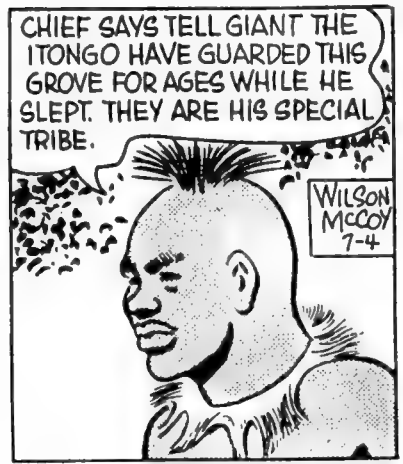
AS THE ITONGO PREPARE A PALACE FOR THE NO-LONGER SLEEPING GIANT.

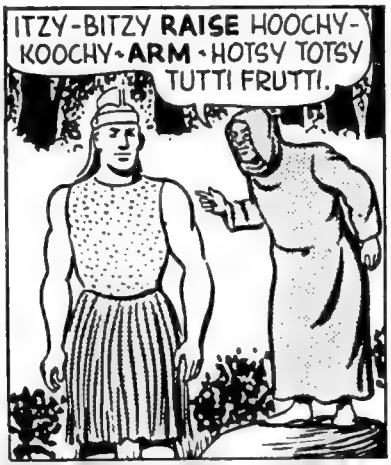
JOE, I'M HUNGRY AND TIRED. I CAN'T JUST STAND HERE UNTIL THEY FINISH ALL THAT.
SH - ITZY - - BOOTSY KATZY WHATZY.
WILSON McCOY 7-3

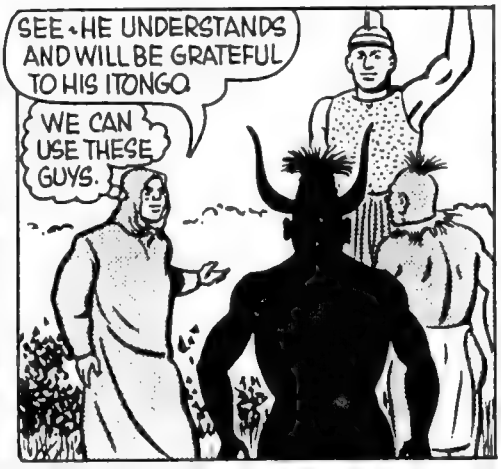
THE GIANT COMMANDS THAT YOU ALL LEAVE AT SUNDOWN - LET NO ONE RETURN UNTIL DAWN.


THEY CAN'T SEE YOU ACTING LIKE A MAN. YOU GOTTA ACT - YOU KNOW - LIKE A TRIBAL GOD.
(GULP - (GULP - YEAH.


THE CHIEF OF THE ITONGO WISHES TO SPEAK TO THE GIANT.
OLD HEAD-HUNTERS.
THE GIANT SPEAKS ONLY TO ME.


CHIEF SAYS TELL GIANT THE ITONGO HAVE GUARDED THIS GROVE FOR AGES WHILE HE SLEPT. THEY ARE HIS SPECIAL TRIBE.
WILSON McCOY 7-4


ITZY-BITZY RAISE HOOCHY-KOOCHY - ARM - HOTSY TOTSY TUTTI FRUTTI.


SEE - HE UNDERSTANDS AND WILL BE GRATEFUL TO HIS ITONGO.
WE CAN USE THESE GUYS.

GOO-GOO WAH-WAH.
GIANT COMMANDS LET NONE BUT THE ITONGO ENTER THE GROVE.
WE HEAR.
WILSON McCOY 1-5

CHATTANOOGA CHOO-CHOO
GIANT COMMANDS NO ONE MAY ENTER THIS PALACE UNLESS CALLED.

THE STORY SPREADS THRU THE JUNGLE ~ CROWDS THRONG TOWARD THE GROVE.
THE SLEEPING GIANT IS AWAKE.
HE LIVES.

BUT ~ WE WANT TO SEE THE GIANT ~
THIS IS ITONGO-LAND. GO AWAY. NONE MAY ENTER SAVE ITONGO. THE GIANT COMMANDS!

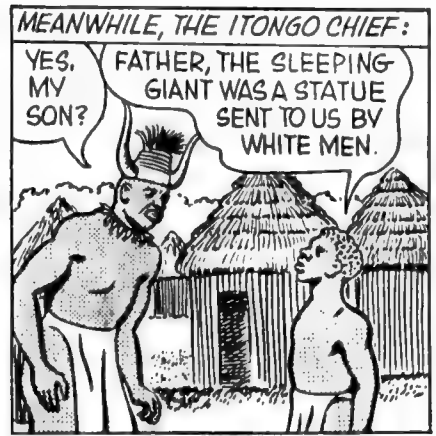
FOOD 'SACRIFICES' ARE BROUGHT DAILY TO THE NO-LONGER 'SLEEPING' GIANT.

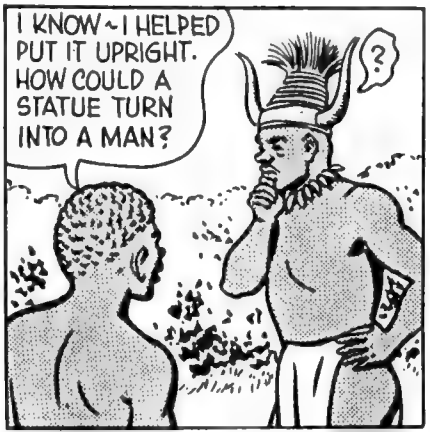
GRUB ~ LOTZA YUM-YUM GRUB.
CUT THE DOUBLE-TALK. THIS IS ALL GREAT ~ BUT HOW ABOUT THE DIAMONDS?

THAT'S WHY WE'RE DOING ALL THIS NONSENSE. I'VE SEEN NOTHING YET!
TONIGHT WHEN THEY CLEAR OUT, I'LL SHOW YOU.

HERE'S WHERE I FOUND THE STONE. DIAMOND CLAY. ITS FULL OF 'EM. WE'LL BE RICH!
LOOKS LIKE PLAIN DIRT TO ME.
WILSON McCOY 7-6

WILSON McCOY 7-7
TELL THEM THE GIANT WANTS THIS DIRT DUG UP AND BROUGHT TO HIM.


MEANWHILE, THE ITONGO CHIEF:
YES, MY SON?
FATHER, THE SLEEPING GIANT WAS A STATUE SENT TO US BY WHITE MEN.


I KNOW ~ I HELPED PUT IT UPRIGHT. HOW COULD A STATUE TURN INTO A MAN?
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DON'T ASK CHILDISH QUESTIONS ABOUT HIGH MATTERS! THE SLEEPING GIANT IS AWAKE. THAT IS ENOUGH!
EYOW

WHY DOES SLEEPING-GIANT-WHO-WOKE-UP WANT THIS DIRT?
WHO KNOWS? HE WANTS IT.

AT LAST~THEY'RE BRINGING THE CLAY! NOW WE'LL FIND BUSHELS OF DIAMONDS LIKE THIS ONE!
WE'RE IN BUSINESS!

ALL WE GOTTA DO IS WASH THIS CLAY~LOAD THE DIAMONDS IN OUR SADDLEBAGS~ AND TAKE OFF!
WILSON McCOY 7-9

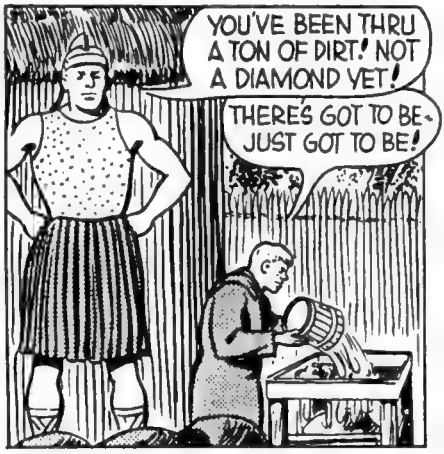
ANY DIAMONDS YET?
NOT YET. CAN'T EXPECT ANY IN THE FIRST FEW BASKETS.

CLAY IS HAULED FROM THE DIGGINGS IN THE 'SACRED GROVE'~~

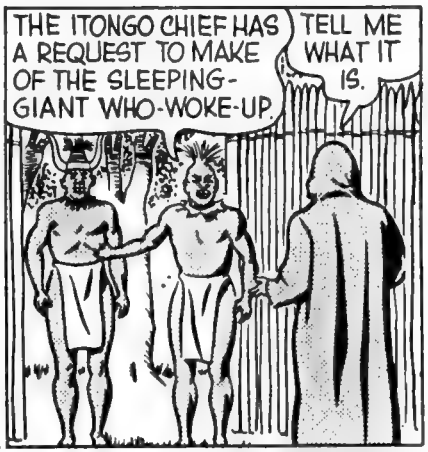
DON'T KEEP ASKING ME EVERY TWO SECONDS IF I FOUND ANY DIAMONDS YET! IT TAKES TIME!
THAT'S WHAT YOU KEEP SAYING.

MEANWHILE, THE ITONGO CHIEF:
FATHER, THE GIANT IS AWAKE, BUT WE ITONGO ARE NO RICHER~NO DIFFERENT~~
HMMM~

FOR YEARS WE ITONGO HAVE ENVIED THE RICH VALLEY OF THE WAMBESI. NOW~PERHAPS~ WE CAN GET IT!
WILSON McCOY 7-10


YOU'VE BEEN THRU A TON OF DIRT! NOT A DIAMOND YET!
THERE'S GOT TO BE~ JUST GOT TO BE!

DIDN'T I FIND THIS ROUGH DIAMOND IN THAT SPOT? DON'T I KNOW DIAMOND CLAY?
DO YOU? SHH~~ SOMEBODY OUTSIDE~


THE ITONGO CHIEF HAS A REQUEST TO MAKE OF THE SLEEPING-GIANT WHO-WOKE-UP.
TELL ME WHAT IT IS.

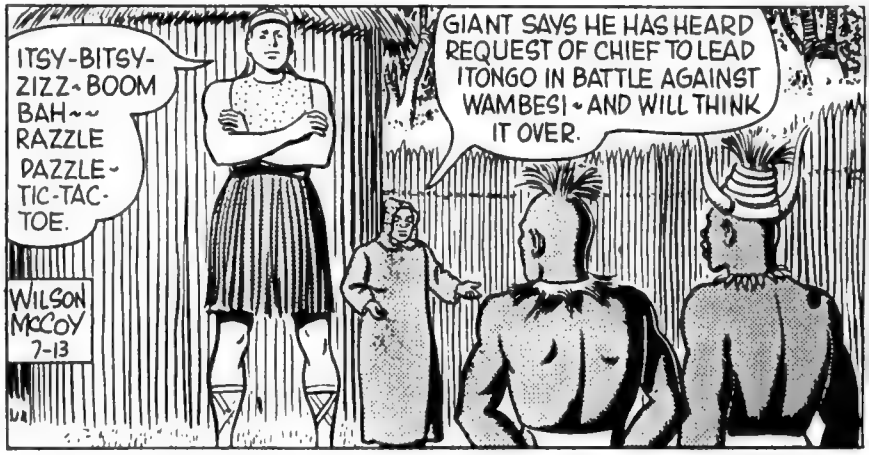
DID NOT THE GIANT ADMIT WE ITONGO ARE HIS SPECIAL TRIBE?
WE WISH HIM TO LEAD US IN CONQUEST OVER THE WAMBESI!
WILSON McCOY 7-11

UH~TELL ME AGAIN WHAT THE CHIEF WANTS.
WE ITONGO HAVE WORSHIPPED THE SLEEPING GIANT FOR MANY AGES. HE IS OUR GIANT!

NOW THAT HE IS AWAKE, HE WILL LEAD HIS ITONGO TO VICTORY OVER THE WAMBESI.
THEIR LAND IS RICH. WE WANT IT.
WILSON McCOY 7-12

WHO CAN WITHSTAND US IF OUR MIGHTY GIANT LEADS US?
UH~HUH~~ WELL, I'LL SPEAK TO HIM ABOUT IT.

HEAR ALL THAT?
YEAH.
IF THEY ONLY KNEW MY SECRET.
WHAT IS HIS SECRET?


ITSY-BITSY-ZIZZ~BOOM BAH~~ RAZZLE PAZZLE~ TIC-TAC-TOE.
WILSON McCOY 7-13
GIANT SAYS HE HAS HEARD REQUEST OF CHIEF TO LEAD ITONGO IN BATTLE AGAINST WAMBESI~AND WILL THINK IT OVER.

I'M NOT LEADING THEM IN ANY BATTLES~LET'S GET THE DIAMONDS AND LAM OUTA HERE!
DON'T WORRY. WE WILL.

NO DIAMONDS~ THERE MUST BE SOME~SOON~
THERE'D BETTER BE!

LOOK~YOU LITTLE BONE-HEAD~YOU WASHED CLAY FOR A WEEK. NOT ONE DIAMOND!
BUT THERE'S GOTTA BE, IDAHO!
WILSON McCOY 7-14

I FOUND THIS ROUGH DIAMOND IN THAT VERY SPOT. THERE'S GOTTA BE MORE!

YEAH? WHERE ARE THEY?
SOMETHING'S WRONG. LET'S GO AND SEE IF THEY'RE DIGGING IN THE RIGHT PLACE.

THERE'S THE DIGGINGS. HEY, WHAT'S THAT GUY DOING THERE?

WHAT'S THAT GUY DOING AT OUR DIGGINGS?
HEY, YOU~ STOP!

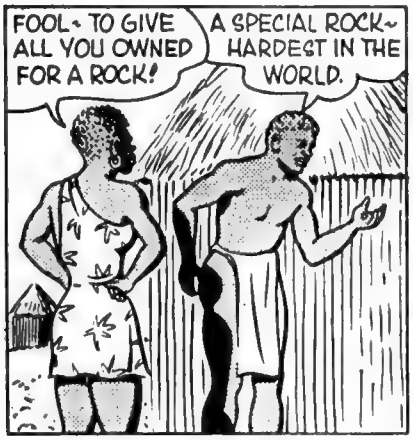
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN THE GROVE OF THE GIANT~AT NIGHT? IT IS FORBIDDEN!
I~MEANT~ NO HARM~ (GULP~)

I~I WAS LOOKING FOR SOMETHING I LOST A LONG TIME AGO~~ HERE~
YEAH? WHAT?

A SPECIAL~ HARD LITTLE ROCK.
HUH!?
WILSON McCOY 7-16

YOU~LOST A SPECIAL HARD LITTLE ROCK HERE A LONG TIME AGO? WHAT KIND?
THE TRADER MAN SAID IT WAS A DIAMOND.

"HE SAID IT WAS THE HARDEST ROCK IN THE WORLD!"
SEE~IT EVEN CUTS METAL~ANYTHING!


FOOL~ TO GIVE ALL YOU OWNED FOR A ROCK!
A SPECIAL ROCK~ HARDEST IN THE WORLD.

THEN, MANY MOONS AGO, I RAN THRU THIS GROVE. I LOST THE ROCK~HERE.
WILSON McCOY 7-17

YOU BOUGHT A SPECIAL ROCK FROM A TRADER? IT CUT METAL?
OH, YES! HARDEST ROCK IN THE WORLD, HE SAID~

AND THEN MANY MOONS AGO~YOU LOST IT HERE?
YES, I WAS AFRAID TO COME BACK~~ BECAUSE OF SLEEPING GIANT~~

BUT NOW HE'S AWAKE, YOU CAME BACK TO FIND IT, EH? GET OUT OF HERE!

IT WAS THIS ROCK THAT I FOUND HERE~ ROUGH DIAMOND~
YEAH! DIAMOND CLAY~~~ MILLIONS IN DIAMONDS.
WILSON McCOY 7-18

HOW'D I KNOW A GUY'D DROP A ROUGH DIAMOND HERE~I THOUGHT IT WAS DIAMOND CLAY~~
YOU THOUGHT!

YOU DRAGGED ME FROM MY GOOD CARNIVAL JOB TO PLAY THIS SILLY GAME OF GIANT FOR THOSE SAVAGES~"MILLIONS IN DIAMONDS"~~

THERE'S NOT A DIAMOND IN A THOUSAND MILES, YOU STUPID LITTLE~~
SHH~~ ITONGO
WILSON McCOY 7-19

OOKUM~ SKOOKUM~
OSKEE WOW-WOW.
HEAR~THEY SPEAK IN SECRET TONGUE OF GIANT.

SO~NO DIAMONDS! WE'RE ALL WASHED UP. I'M GETTING OUTA HERE!
WAIT~YOU CAN'T WALK OUT, IDAHO!
WILSON McCOY 7-20

IF THE ITONGO THINK YOU'RE A FRAUD, THEY'LL KILL US! THEY REALLY THINK YOU'RE THE GIANT WHO WOKE UP!

THE CHIEF AWAITS THE GIANT'S REPLY~WILL HE LEAD THE ITONGO AGAINST THE WAMBESI?
HUH~~ WAIT A MINUTE~

IDAHO~I'VE GOT IT! WE'LL STILL GET RICH IN THIS JUNGLE!
MORE BRILLIANT IDEAS?
TOMORROW: THE IDEA

LISTEN, IDAHO. THESE ITONGO WANT TO TAKE OVER ANOTHER TRIBE'S VALLEY. THEY WANT YOU TO LEAD THEM.
NOT ME.
WILSON McCOY 7-21

VALLEY~POOH! THOSE TRIBES ARE LOADED WITH JEWELS AND GOLD~~THE ITONGO'LL GET THAT FOR THEIR GREAT BIG GIANT.

GURAN, ANY NEWS ABOUT THE SLEEPING GIANT WHO WOKE UP?
NONE. THE ITONGO HAVE CLOSED THE GROVE TO STRANGERS.

JUST AS WELL. IT WAS A SILLY STORY~A STATUE COMING TO LIFE. IT'LL DIE DOWN AND BE FORGOTTEN.
CONT'D.

I'M GOING TO THE HILL COUNTRY FOR A FEW WEEKS, GURAN. THINGS ARE QUIET HERE.

ANY MORE WORD ABOUT THE SLEEPING GIANT OF THE ITONGO?
NOTHING, O GHOST WHO WALKS.

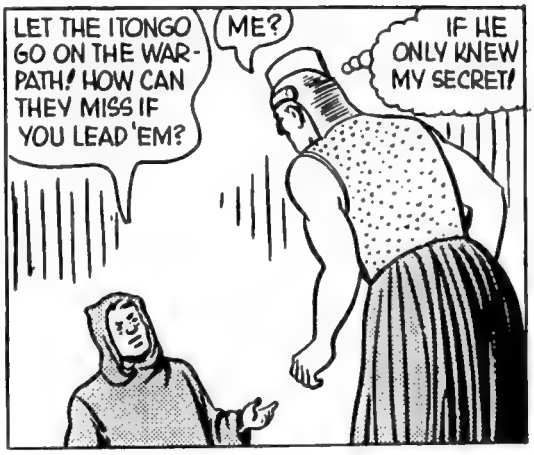
GOOD. I WAS AFRAID THE ITONGO MIGHT TRY TO DO SOMETHING WITH THAT OLD LEGEND. EVIDENTLY NOT.
WILSON McCOY 7-23

BUT TROUBLE IS IN THE AIR!
WILL THE GIANT LEAD US AGAINST THE WAMBESI?
WE AWAIT HIS ANSWER, CHIEF.

IDAHO, THOSE BOYS WANT TO SWIPE THEIR NEIGHBORS' VALLEY. THEY WANT YOU TO LEAD THEM.
NOT ME!

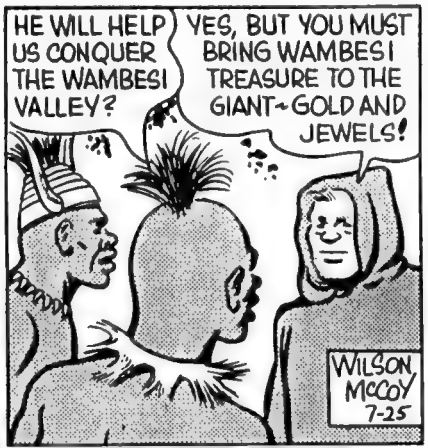
WE CAME HERE TO GET DIAMONDS. OKAY~NO DIAMONDS. NOW ALL I WANT TO DO IS GET OUT OF HERE!
WILSON McCOY 7-24

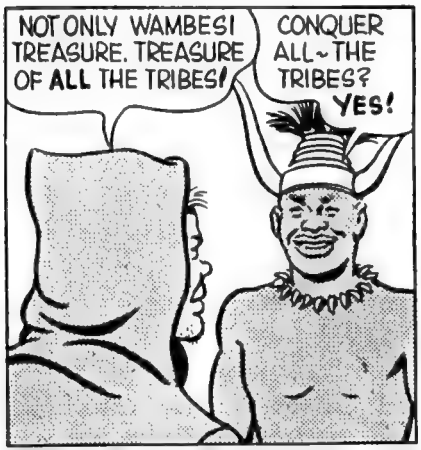
I'M NOT GOIN' BACK BROKE. SO I MADE A MISTAKE ABOUT THE DIAMONDS! THAT GANG'LL GET US OTHER DIAMONDS!


LET THE ITONGO GO ON THE WAR-PATH! HOW CAN THEY MISS IF YOU LEAD 'EM?
ME?
IF HE ONLY KNEW MY SECRET!

JOE, I CANT LEAD ANYBODY IN A WAR BECAUSE...
LEAVE IT TO ME. WE'LL BE RICH.

RAZZLE-DAZZLE-ZISS-BOOM-BAH.
GIANT SAYS HE WILL LEAD YOU, ITONGO!

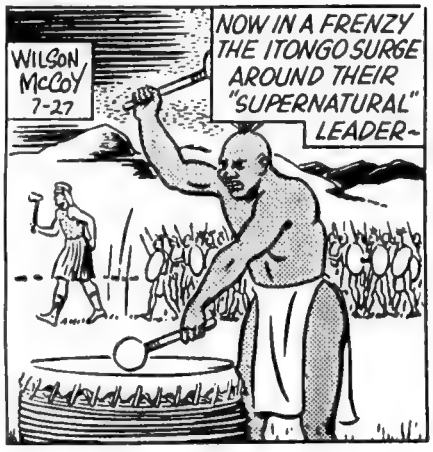

HE WILL HELP US CONQUER THE WAMBESI VALLEY?
YES, BUT YOU MUST BRING WAMBESI TREASURE TO THE GIANT~GOLD AND JEWELS!
WILSON McCOY 7-25


NOT ONLY WAMBESI TREASURE. TREASURE OF ALL THE TRIBES!
CONQUER ALL~THE TRIBES?
YES!

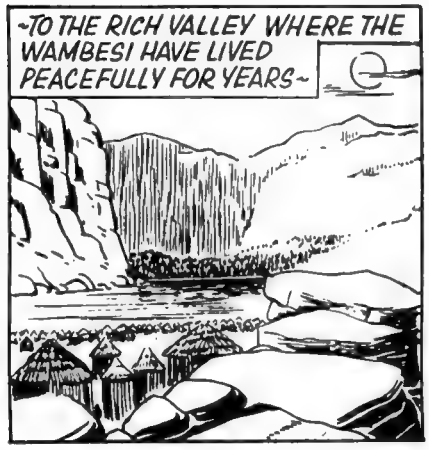
THE SLEEPING GIANT-WHO-IS-AWAKE HAS SPOKEN! FOR AGES WE ITONGO SERVED HIM WHILE HE SLEPT IN THE SACRED GROVE! NOW HE WILL SHOW HIS LOVE FOR HIS ITONGO!
HE WILL LEAD US IN CONQUEST! WE WILL RULE THE ENTIRE JUNGLE!
WILSON McCOY 7-26

THE ITONGO GO INTO A FRENZY!

I DON'T LIKE THIS, JOE. IT SOUNDS LIKE WAR!
SURE..A JUNGLE WAR! IT'S GONNA MAKE US RICH, PAL!


WILSON McCOY 7-27
NOW IN A FRENZY THE ITONGO SURGE AROUND THEIR "SUPERNATURAL" LEADER~

~THE GREAT WAR DRUMS BOOM THRU THE JUNGLE~~


~TO THE RICH VALLEY WHERE THE WAMBESI HAVE LIVED PEACEFULLY FOR YEARS~

NOW THEIR VILLAGE IS SUDDENLY INVADED!

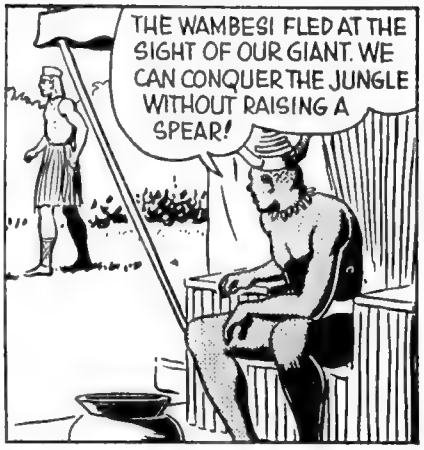
ITONGO ATTACKING US!
THEY DARE?
WE'LL DESTROY THEM!

LOOK! LEADING THEM~THE SLEEPING GIANT-WHO-IS-AWAKE!

AFRAID OF THE STRANGE GIANT, THE WAMBESI FLEE INTO THE WOODS~

~AND THE ITONGO TAKE OVER!
WILSON McCOY 7-28

WE ITONGO NOW OWN WAMBESI LAND! WE DIDN'T LOSE ONE MAN!


THE WAMBESI FLED AT THE SIGHT OF OUR GIANT. WE CAN CONQUER THE JUNGLE WITHOUT RAISING A SPEAR!

WILSON McCOY 7-30

WAMBESI TREASURE FOR OUR GIANT!
SEE!

WE NEED FEAR NO ONE!
NO ONE WILL FIGHT AGAINST US!
AS THE ITONGO CELEBRATE THEIR BLOODLESS VICTORY~

ALL OURS!
YUP~WAMBESI LOOT. MUST BE WORTH A MILLION!

LET'S PACK UP THIS LOOT AND GO HOME, JOE!
YOU DAFFY? THOSE ITONGO ARE LOADED FOR BEAR! WITH YOU LEADIN' 'EM~~

~NOBODY'LL FIGHT 'EM! THIS IS LOOT FROM ONE TRIBE!
THERE ARE DOZENS OF TRIBES! WE'RE GONNA GET IT ALL!
WILSON McCOY 7-31

THE ITONGO ARE ON THE WARPATH AND THE JUNGLE TREMBLES!
WILSON McCOY 8-1

NONE DARE STAND AGAINST THEM AND THEIR AWESOME LEADER THE GIANT~

THE ITONGO HAVE A SECRET WEAPON THAT ALL FEAR~~A JUNGLE A-BOMB~THE GIANT!
VICTORY AFTER VICTORY~ AND WE'VE NOT LOST A MAN.

AND THE LOOT GROWS~AND GROWS!
JOE, LET'S GO HOME WHILE WE CAN.
NOT YET! NOT YET!

THE ITONGO APPROACH! THUS FAR, NONE HAS DARED FACE THEIR GIANT.
YOU THREE ARE OUR CHAMPIONS! STRIKE HIM DOWN!

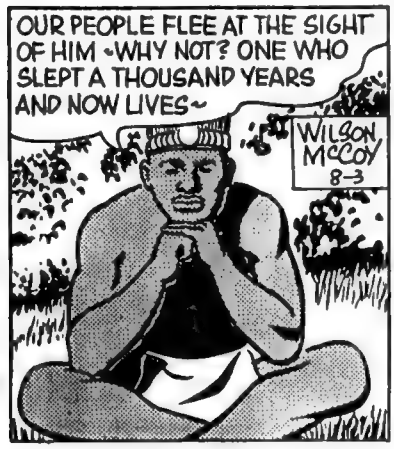
WHY ARE THOSE THREE COMING AT ME? WHY DON'T THEY RUN LIKE THE OTHERS?
WILSON McCOY 8-2

DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS SO BIG!
ASLEEP A THOUSAND YEARS ~NOW LIVES~!
!?

WHEW!
WHAT WOULD I DO IF ANYBODY KEPT COMING?

AS THE ITONGO GO FROM ONE BLOODLESS VICTORY TO ANOTHER~

~CHIEFS OF THE CONQUERED TRIBES MEET.
HOW CAN WE STOP THEM? ALL FEAR THE GIANT.
WHO CAN STAND AGAINST HIM?

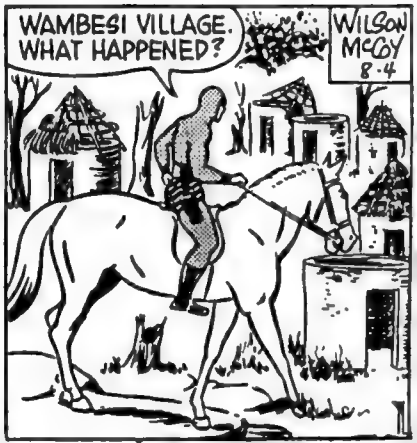

OUR PEOPLE FLEE AT THE SIGHT OF HIM ~WHY NOT? ONE WHO SLEPT A THOUSAND YEARS AND NOW LIVES~
WILSON McCOY 8-3

WE ARE HELPLESS. ONLY ONE COULD STAND AGAINST HIM! THE PHANTOM!
WHERE IS HE?
WHERE?

ONE LAST DIP, FELLA.
IN THE HILL COUNTRY~~ UNAWARE OF THE JUNGLE WAR~~

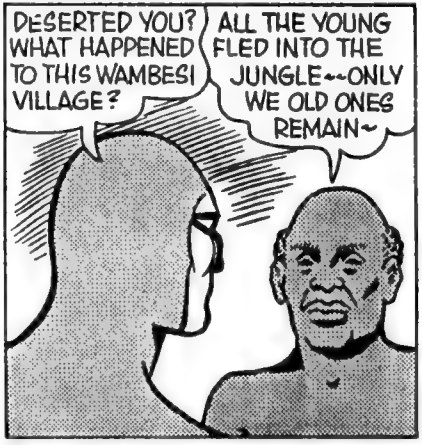
TIME TO RETURN TO THE DEEP WOODS, FELLAS. WE'VE HAD A GOOD REST UP HERE.

HE RIDES BACK SLOWLY TO THE GREEN JUNGLE~~


WAMBESI VILLAGE. WHAT HAPPENED?
WILSON McCOY 8-4

WILSON McCOY 8-6
HELLO, THERE~DON'T RUN AWAY~WAIT!
WHAT HAPPENED HERE?

DO NOT BE AFRAID. DON'T YOU KNOW ME?
YES, O GHOST WHO WALKS! WE THOUGHT YOU DESERTED US.


DESERTED YOU? WHAT HAPPENED TO THIS WAMBESI VILLAGE?
ALL THE YOUNG FLED INTO THE JUNGLE~~ONLY WE OLD ONES REMAIN~

THE ITONGO~LED BY THEIR GREAT GIANT ARE CONQUERING THE WHOLE WORLD!
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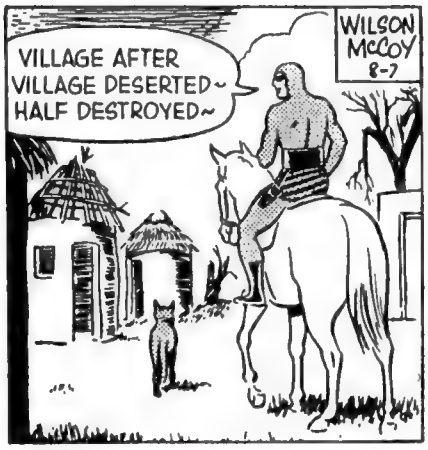
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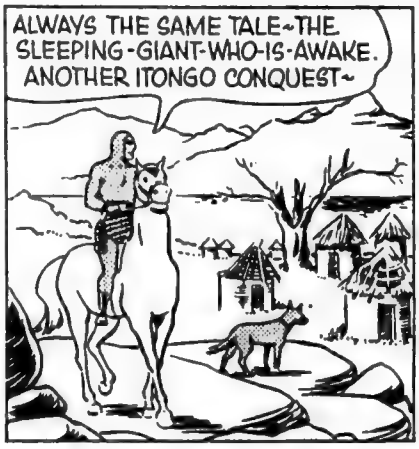
VILLAGE AFTER VILLAGE DESERTED~ HALF DESTROYED~


ALWAYS THE SAME TALE~THE SLEEPING-GIANT-WHO-IS-AWAKE. ANOTHER ITONGO CONQUEST~

HE RACES INTO THE DEEP WOODS~
TO THINK~IT HAPPENED THIS FAST~IN A FEW WEEKS

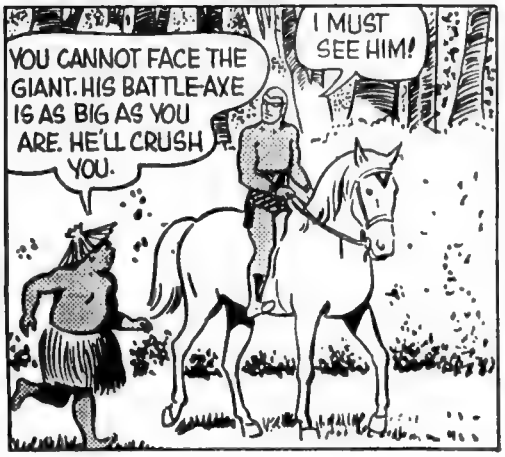
WHERE A GROUP OF DEFEATED CHIEFS WAIT.
AT LAST~THE PHANTOM!
BUT WHAT CAN HE OR ANYONE DO AGAINST THE GIANT?

~~ALL OUR VILLAGES WERE CONQUERED WITHOUT A FIGHT! WE FEARED THE GIANT!
THEN YOU ALL SAW THE GIANT?

"SAW HIM~YES~HE IS TALL AS A TREE, WITH HIS MIGHTY BATTLE-AXE"
WILSON McCOY 8-8

WHAT CAN WE DO?
WHO CAN FACE THIS MONSTER~WHO SLEPT A THOUSAND YEARS~AND NOW LIVES?

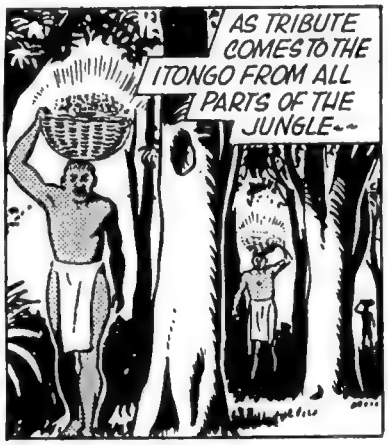
WHERE WILL YOU GO? WHAT WILL YOU DO?
TO THE ITONGO TO FACE THIS MONSTER.


YOU CANNOT FACE THE GIANT. HIS BATTLE-AXE IS AS BIG AS YOU ARE. HE'LL CRUSH YOU.
I MUST SEE HIM!

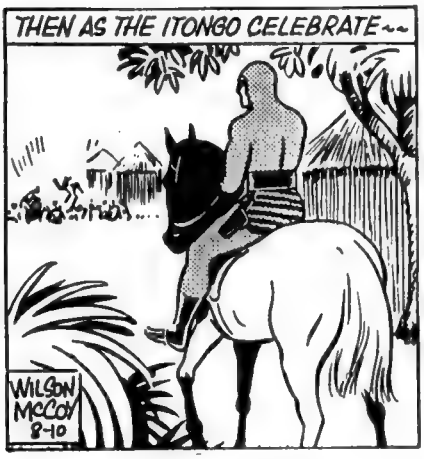
LOOK AT ALL THIS! TRUNKFULS OF TREASURE! ALL OURS! WE'LL NEED A DOZEN ELEPHANTS TO HAUL IT OUT!
OK. GET 'EM!

NOT YET. I GOT A NEW WRINKLE. I GOT ALL THE TRIBES WE CONQUERED BRINGING IN TRIBUTE EVERY MONTH!

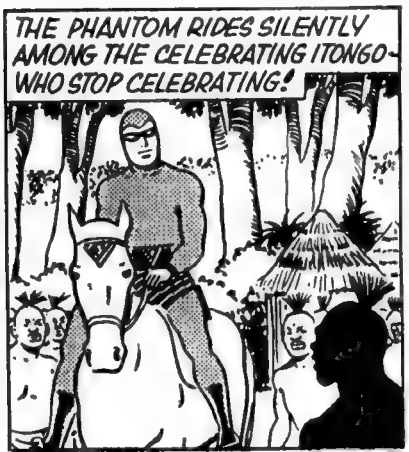
EVERY MONTH ANOTHER TRUNKLOAD FOR US-- SEE?
NO-WE HAVE ENOUGH. YOU'RE A GREEDY LITTLE PIG!
WILSON McCOY 8-9

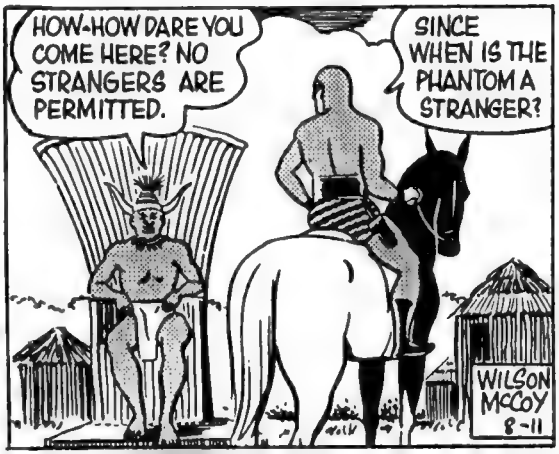

AS TRIBUTE COMES TO THE ITONGO FROM ALL PARTS OF THE JUNGLE--

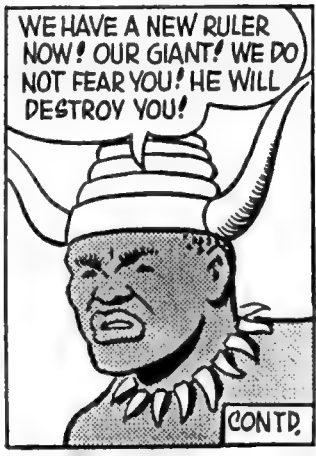
WE HONOR OUR MIGHTY GIANT! THANKS TO HIM, WE ITONGO ARE NOW THE GREATEST POWER IN THE JUNGLE!
I WANNA GO.
SHH- NOT YET.


THEN AS THE ITONGO CELEBRATE--
WILSON McCOY 8-10

I'VE GOT A DOZEN ELEPHANTS TO HAUL OUR LOOT. WE LEAVE AFTER THE CELEBRATION! SATISFIED?
YEAH! WHY'S IT SO QUIET OUTSIDE?


THE PHANTOM RIDES SILENTLY AMONG THE CELEBRATING ITONGO- WHO STOP CELEBRATING!


HOW-HOW DARE YOU COME HERE? NO STRANGERS ARE PERMITTED.
SINCE WHEN IS THE PHANTOM A STRANGER?
WILSON McCOY 8-11


WE HAVE A NEW RULER NOW! OUR GIANT! WE DO NOT FEAR YOU! HE WILL DESTROY YOU!
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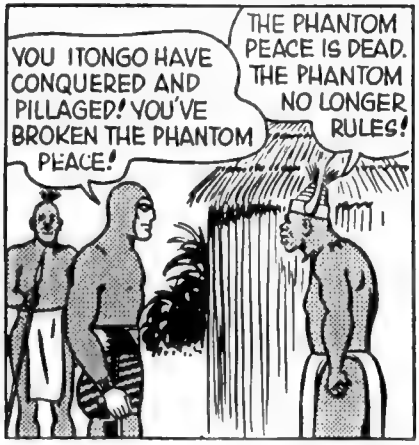
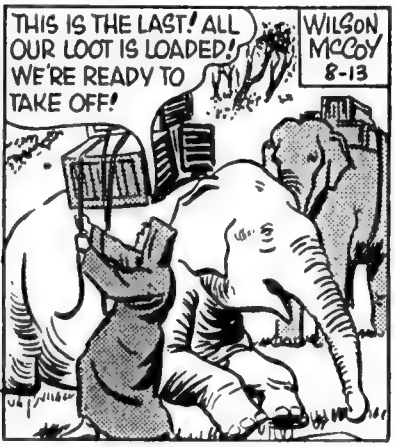
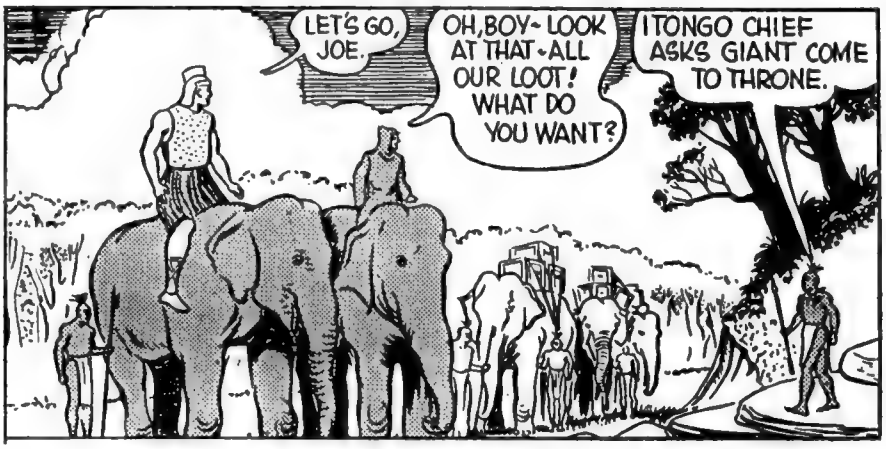
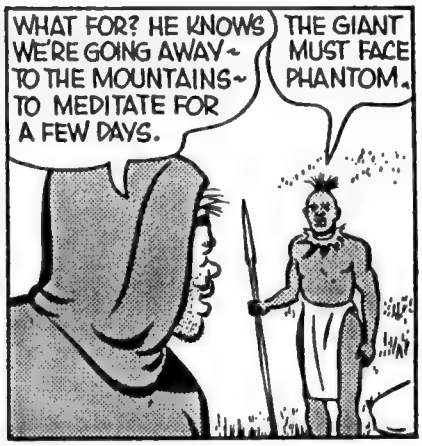

YOU ITONGO HAVE CONQUERED AND PILLAGED! YOU'VE BROKEN THE PHANTOM PEACE!
THE PHANTOM PEACE IS DEAD. THE PHANTOM NO LONGER RULES!

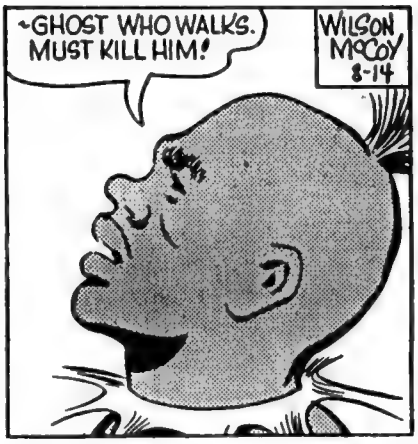
OUR GIANT NOW RULES THE JUNGLE!
LET ME SEE THIS GIANT OF YOURS!

GIVE ME A HAND~ (PUFF) THIS IS HEAVY!
IT IS NOT DIGNIFIED FOR THE GIANT TO WORK. I'M A 'GOD'~~ REMEMBER?


THIS IS THE LAST! ALL OUR LOOT IS LOADED! WE'RE READY TO TAKE OFF!
WILSON McCOY 8-13

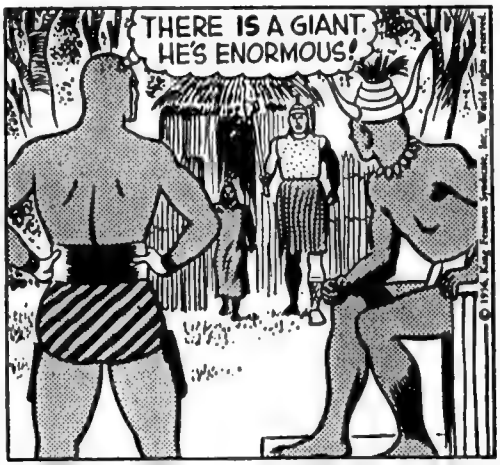

LET'S GO, JOE.
OH, BOY~ LOOK AT THAT~ ALL OUR LOOT! WHAT DO YOU WANT?
ITONGO CHIEF ASKS GIANT COME TO THRONE.


WHAT FOR? HE KNOWS WE'RE GOING AWAY~ TO THE MOUNTAINS~ TO MEDITATE FOR A FEW DAYS.
THE GIANT MUST FACE PHANTOM.


~GHOST WHO WALKS. MUST KILL HIM!
WILSON McCOY 8-14

IS THAT THE PHANTOM? WHO IS HE?
I DUNNO. LOOKS LIKE SOME KINDA THUG. LET'S SEE WHAT HE WANTS~

HE MAY BE TROUBLE. BRING YOUR BATTLE AXE.
I DONT LIKE THIS~ WHY DIDN'T WE LEAVE WHEN WE COULD?


THERE IS A GIANT. HE'S ENORMOUS!

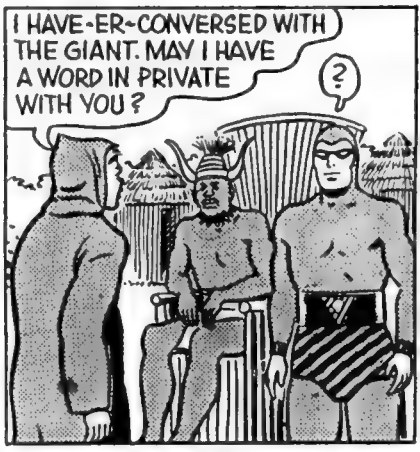
I SPEAK FOR THE GIANT. WHAT DO YOU WANT?
YOU'VE CAUSED WAR IN THIS JUNGLE. YOU MUST PAY BACK EVERYTHING!
WILSON McCOY 8-15

THE ITONGO BROKE THE PHANTOM PEACE! YOU'VE DESTROYED VILLAGES -- CONQUERED LAND, STOLEN TREASURE!
YOU MUST RETURN, REBUILD, REPAY ALL!
WE WILL NOT! CRUSH HIM, GIANT OF ITONGO!
WILSON McCOY 8-16

WHY DOES HE WAIT?
I MUST EXPLAIN TO HIM. WE WILL-ER-RETIRE-FOR A CONSULTATION.

GEE, WHAT'LL WE DO, JOE?
DO? YOU'RE TWICE AS BIG AS HE IS! SLAP HIM DOWN!

YOUR BATTLE-AXE IS AS BIG AS HE IS!
I WON'T FIGHT! PAY HIM OFF, JOE!


I HAVE-ER-CONVERSED WITH THE GIANT. MAY I HAVE A WORD IN PRIVATE WITH YOU?
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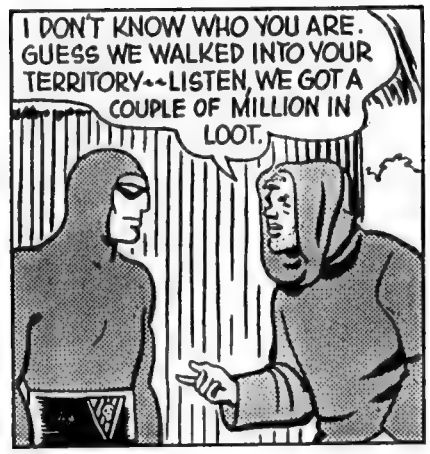
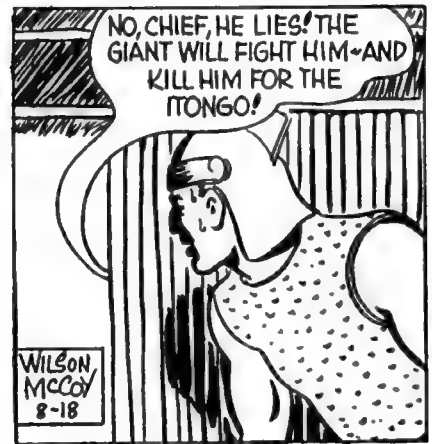

I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU ARE. GUESS WE WALKED INTO YOUR TERRITORY--LISTEN, WE GOT A COUPLE OF MILLION IN LOOT.

-LOADED UP-READY TO GO. HALF OF IT IS YOURS. WE DON'T WANT ANY TROUBLE
WILSON McCOY 8-17

THIS WEASEL OFFERED ME HALF THEIR LOOT IF I'D LET HIM ESCAPE WITH THE GIANT!
WHAT IS THIS? OUR GIANT BETRAY US?


NO, CHIEF, HE LIES! THE GIANT WILL FIGHT HIM-AND KILL HIM FOR THE ITONGO!
WILSON McCOY 8-18

IDAHO! YOU GOTTA FIGHT THIS GUY! OTHERWISE, THE ITONGO WILL SLAUGHTER US!
I'M GETTIN' OUTA HERE!

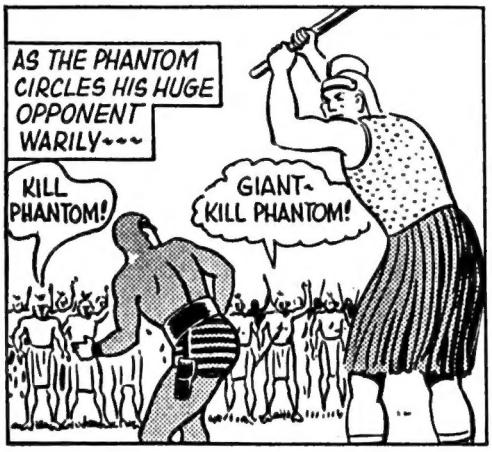
GRAB YOUR BATTLE-AXE -FACE HIM! WHY, YOU COULD KNOCK HIM OVER WITH YOUR LITTLE FINGER!
HE DOESN'T KNOW MY SECRET.

GET OUT THERE AND SLAP THAT PHANTOM INTO THE GROUND! HE'S HALF YOUR SIZE!
THEY DON'T KNOW MY SECRET~

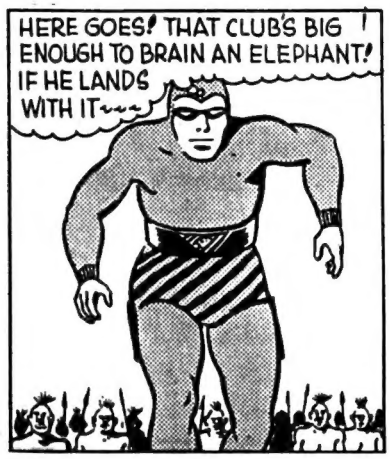
NOW~ OUR MIGHTY GIANT WILL DESTROY THE PHANTOM! THE ITONGO WILL RULE THE JUNGLE FOREVER!

BIGGEST MAN I EVER SAW~ CAN'T USE MY GUNS ON A MAN ARMED ONLY WITH A CLUB~~
GIANT~GIANT~ GIANT~GIANT! KILL! KILL!

THE EXCITED ITONGO FORM A GREAT CIRCLE~
WILSON McCOY 8-20


AS THE PHANTOM CIRCLES HIS HUGE OPPONENT WARILY~~~
KILL PHANTOM!
GIANT~ KILL PHANTOM!

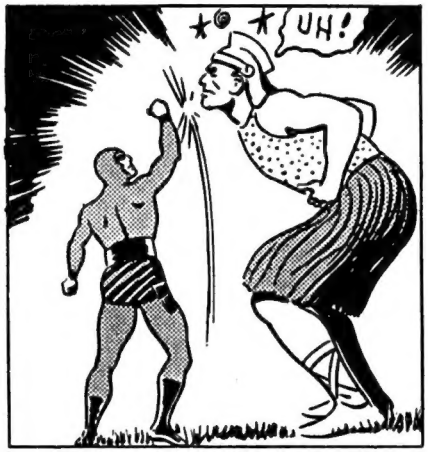
IF ANYTHING GOES WRONG, I'LL USE MY GUN ON THAT PHANTOM~~I'M NOT LOSIN' MY LOOT!


HERE GOES! THAT CLUB'S BIG ENOUGH TO BRAIN AN ELEPHANT! IF HE LANDS WITH IT~~~

AND THE MIGHTY CLUB SWINGS WITH A WHOOSH
WILSON McCOY 8-21

THE PHANTOM DUCKS THE GREAT CLUB~

JAW'S TOO HIGH UP~~ HAVE TO BRING IT DOWN~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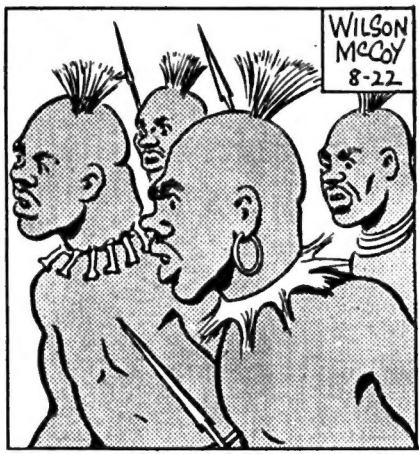
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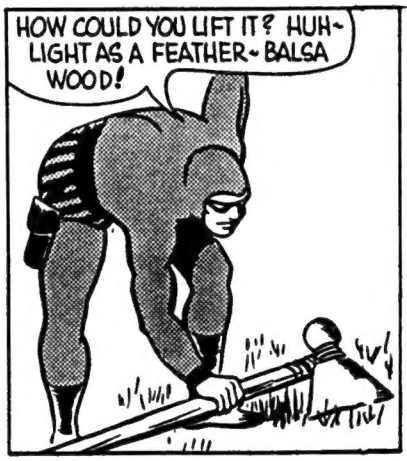
GIANT DOWN~?
HE TRIPPED! GET UP!

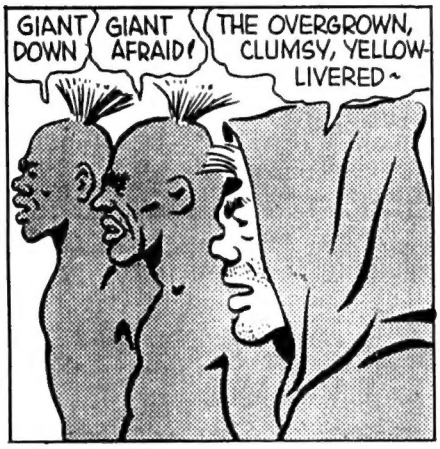
GET UP~ GET UP~
WILSON McCOY 8-23

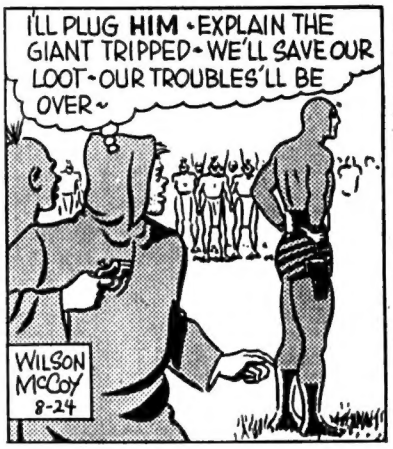
NO~DON'T HIT ME AGAIN. PLEASE~ I CAN'T FIGHT~
?

BECAUSE OF MY GREAT SIZE, I AM WEAK AS A CAT. HARD FOR ME EVEN TO WALK. THAT~ IS MY SECRET~

I'M THE WORLD'S TALLEST MAN AND PROBABLY THE WEAKEST BECAUSE OF MY SIZE~I'VE KEPT THAT A SECRET~
BUT~ THE CLUB~?

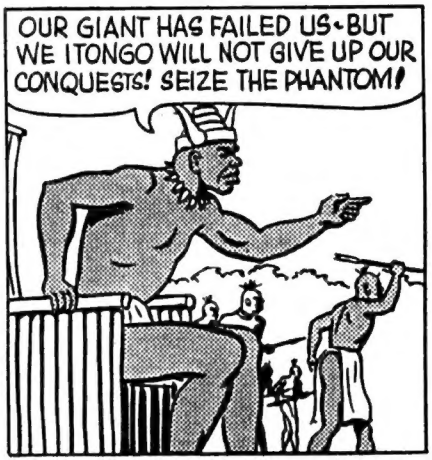

HOW COULD YOU LIFT IT? HUH~ LIGHT AS A FEATHER~ BALSA WOOD!

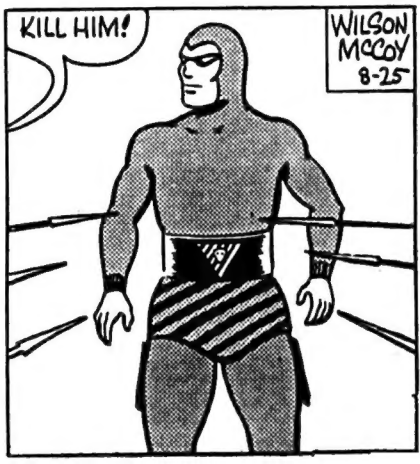

GIANT DOWN
GIANT AFRAID!
THE OVERGROWN, CLUMSY, YELLOW-LIVERED~

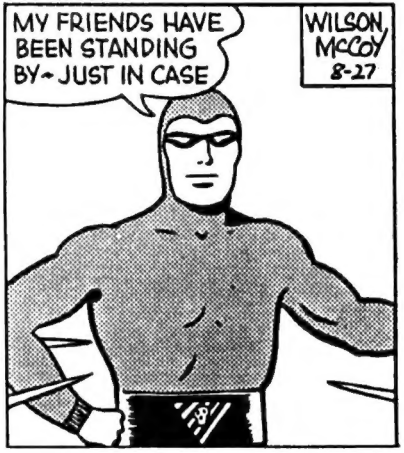

I'LL PLUG HIM~EXPLAIN THE GIANT TRIPPED~WE'LL SAVE OUR LOOT~OUR TROUBLES'LL BE OVER~
WILSON McCOY 8-24

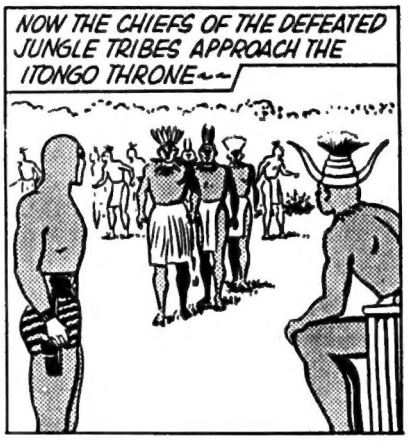
NOW!

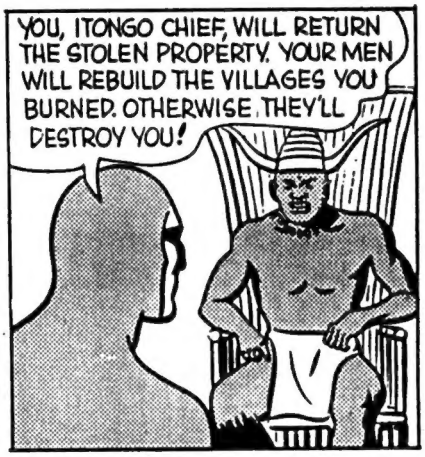
THE PHANTOM SUDDENLY WHIRLS~HIS GUN FLASHES~
UH~HE SHOT MY GUN OUTA MY HAND~MOVED SO FAST~DIDN'T SEE HIM DRAW~

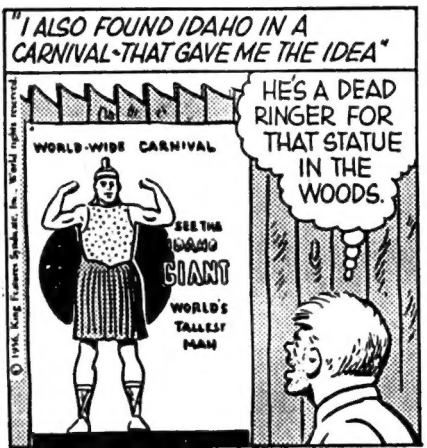

OUR GIANT HAS FAILED US~BUT WE ITONGO WILL NOT GIVE UP OUR CONQUESTS! SEIZE THE PHANTOM!


KILL HIM!
WILSON McCOY 8-25









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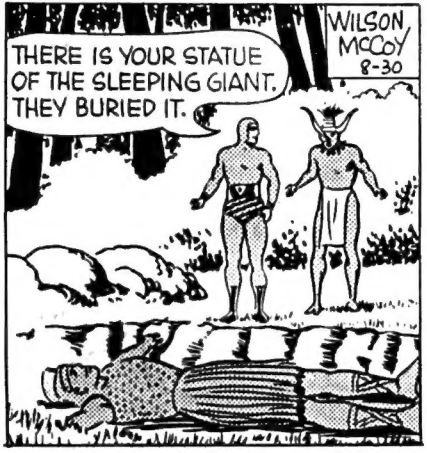
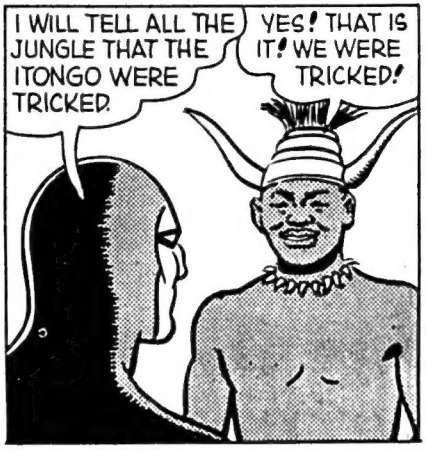
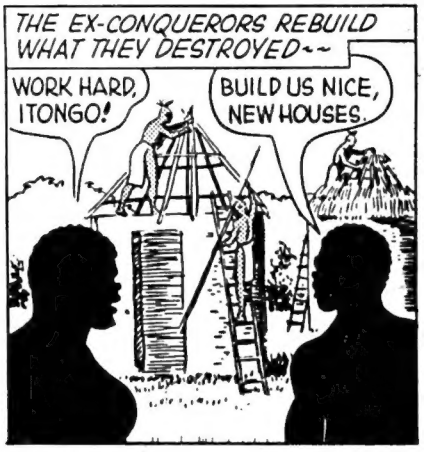

WILSON McCOY 8-30
THERE IS YOUR STATUE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT. THEY BURIED IT.

"THOSE TREES WERE SAWED THRU. THAT'S HOW THE GIANT PUSHED THEM OVER SO EASILY WHEN HE 'WOKE UP.'"

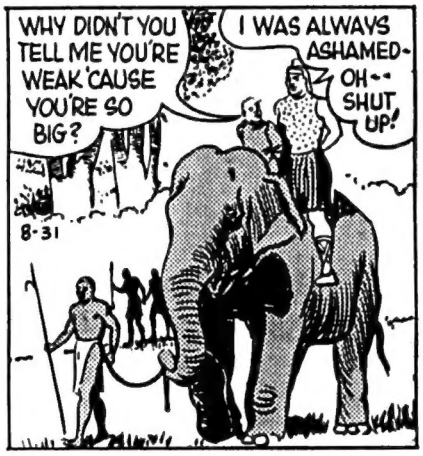

I WILL TELL ALL THE JUNGLE THAT THE ITONGO WERE TRICKED.
YES! THAT IS IT! WE WERE TRICKED!

YOU WERE TOO EASY ON ITONGO.
GURAN - THEY HAVE TO GO ON LIVING WITH THE OTHER TRIBES. LET THEM SAVE FACE.

THE JUNGLE RINGS WITH THE NEWS -
PHANTOM DESTROYS GIANT - - ITONGO CONQUEST ENDED - -


THE EX-CONQUERORS REBUILD WHAT THEY DESTROYED - -
WORK HARD, ITONGO!
BUILD US NICE, NEW HOUSES.

STOLEN TREASURE IS RESTORED!
WE RETURN YOUR TREASURE
WE'LL COUNT IT - AND WE WANT INTEREST!


WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME YOU'RE WEAK 'CAUSE YOU'RE SO BIG?
I WAS ALWAYS ASHAMED - OH - - SHUT UP!
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IF ONLY THAT PHANTOM HADN'T SHOWN UP - WE'D BE RICH - - WE'D - -
IF ONLY I'D NEVER LISTENED TO YOU!

NOW THE STORY ENTERS LEGEND -
GRANDPA, TELL US HOW THE PHANTOM BEAT THE GIANT!
A GREAT GIANT - TALL AS A MOUNTAIN - -

"THE PHANTOM FLEW THRU THE AIR LIKE A BIRD - AND WHOPPED HIM!"

AS FOR THE SACRED GROVE OF THE SLEEPING GIANT - NOBODY GOES THERE ANY MORE.
WILSON McCOY 9-1
NEXT WEEK: NEW ADVENTURE